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TWELVE O'CLOCK M.

THE CAPITAL.

Treasurer Spinner on the Subject of Specie Payment—The Paraguayan Matter — Letter from Admiral Davis—Departments Closed for Christmas.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, December 24, 1868.

TREASURER SPINNER ON SPECIE PAYMENT.

U. S. Treasurer Spinner, in a letter to the Hon. David Wilder, of Massachusetts, condemns the latter's plan for the resumption of specie payment, by striking down instantly, at one blow, the nominal value of the U. S. legal tender notes to an arbitrary value of only three-fourths of its face, as forced and violent, and argues it would cause jar and confusion and mischief, not only in monetary, but in all business affairs. He eulogises Gov. Morton's bill as proposing to build up and foster the appreciation of the greenback to the par value of gold, by a process so gradual, gentle and smooth, that the change would scarce be perceptible by the debtor or creditor, and both alike would be able to meet their business calculations and business arrangements from time to time during the process of appreciation with such accuracy that no serious harm would come to either classes. He, however, prefers to see the bill amended in various particulars. The two leading ones are: first, banks should not be permitted to remain in suspension for a day, much less six months, after resumption by the Treasury of the United States; and, second, the dividends on government stocks belonging to banks, but held in trust by the Tresurer as security for the redemption of their circulating notes, should be retained by the treasurer and not paid over to the banks, to be held by them until the day of redemption, and the selection of these dividends should commence a year earlier than proposed by the bill.

THE EXPEDITION TO PARAGUAY—LETTER FROM ADMIRAL DAVIS.

A letter to the Secretary of the Navy, from Admiral Davis, dated "Aboard the Flagship Guerriere, Montevidio, Nov. 13th," says: "This ship anchored in this roadstead on the 4th inst., having in company the Kansas. The Quinnebang and Pawnee arrived subsequently. Gen. McMahon is instructed by the Secretary of State to stop at Rio long enough to communicate with Mr. Webb, and also at Montevideo and Buenos Ayres to communicate with the Consulate and Legation there, and ascertain whether the military obstacles to his passage up the river heretofore apprehended have been removed. Communications on this subject have been addressed to the governments of Uraguay and the Argentine Republic by the Minister Resident, Mr. Worthington, replies to which will probably be received. I shall proceed to Paraguay in the steamer Wasp, taking Gen. McMahon. The Pawnee, Quinnebang and Kansas will go up the Parana and rendezvous at Diamtic, one of the passes, which will give me command of the river, and there await further orders. I have communicated freely and fully with Mr. Worthington and Mr. Washburn, and my intercourse with both these gentlemen has been satisfactory. Mr. Bliss, according to latest accounts from Paraguay, continues in the service of President Lopez, and is engaged in the preparation of a work on Paraguay. The rise of the river has fortunately begun a month earlier than usual; but for this it would have been impossible to take the Pawnee, Quinebang and Kansas up the river, and even now the task is an arduous one, it being difficult to carry twelve feet through some of the passes. The health of the squadron continues good."

DEPARTMENTS CLOSED.

All the public departments were closed to-day at one o'clock. No business will be transacted to-morrow. The purchase of presents and other arrangements for Christmas have been more extensive than on any previous occasion.

The Blockade of Haytien Ports—Outrage on Shipping.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

HAVANA, December 24.—Advices from Hayti state that an English and French fleet went to Gonavies to demand the French ship Livida and the American schooner De Hart, which were captured by Gen. Chevalier, charged with attempting to run the blockade of St. Marks. The vessels were released and Gen. Chevalier offered indemnity for the outrage, which was accepted by the Captain of the French vessel. The Captain of the De Hart refused to accept the indemnity, and left his vessel at Gonavies.

The blockade of Hayti has been declared effective and recognized by all the foreign ministers. Vessels going into ports not held by the Government and captured are legal prizes. The United States steamer Niepsic arrived at Port-au-Prince, December 4th. The Haytien war steamer Alexander had captured five coasters laden with supplies for the rebels.

Ku Klux Outrages in Kentucky.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

EVANSVILLE, Ind., December 24.—Several outrages have been committed in the past few days by armed and masked Ku-Klux in Union county, Kentucky. On Friday night from ten to twenty of the Klan shot three negroes, two at the Sulphur Springs and one at Morganfield. At the latter place they entered the negro's house and shot him while in bed with his wife. In return he shot and dangerously wounded one of the Klan. He was afterwards shot through four times, beaten with a hot shovel and left apparently dead. The other negroes are not mortally wounded. On the same night five men went to the house of a negro in the same county, made him get out of bed and stand while they in turn outraged the person of his wife. The Sheriff has succeeded, with the aid of a posse of police, in arresting five of the supposed Ku-Klux. The county is greatly excited, and Morganfield is guarded nightly by the citizens

The Apprehended Trouble in Louisiana.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

NEW ORLEANS, December 24.—Lieut. Gov. Dunn denies having sent the dispatch to Louisiana Senators attributed to him by the New York *Tribune* Washington special, about the apprehended trouble upon the meeting of the Legislature. He sent no dispatch to them or any one else, but some time ago, in writing to a Senator, incidentally mentioned there were vague rumors of apprehended trouble, but he attached no importance to them and had forgotten the circumstance.

UNCONDITIONAL AMNESTY.

Proclamation of Pardon to Late Rebels—Jeff. Davis, Breckinridge, Mason and Slidell Included.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, December 24, 1868.

President Johnson has issued the following:

By the President of the United States of America: A PROCLAMATION.

Whereas, The President of the United States has heretofore set forth several proclamations offering amnesty and pardon to persons who had been or were concerned in the late rebellion against the lawful authority of the Government of the United States, which proclamations were severally issued on the 8th day of December, 1863, on the 26th day of March, 1864, on the 29th day of May, 1865, on the 7th day of September, 1867, and on the 4th day of July in the present year;

And whereas, The authority of the Federal Government having been re-established in all the States and Territories within the jurisdiction of the United States, it is believed that such prudential reservations and exceptions as at the dates of said several proclamations were deemed necessary and proper may now be wisely and justly relinquished, and that universal amnesty and pardon for participation in said rebellion extended to all who have borne any part therein will tend to secure permanent peace, order and prosperity throughout the land, and to renew and fully restore confidence and fraternal feeling among the whole people, and their respect for and attachment to the National Government, designed by its patriotic founders for the general good,

Now, therefore, be it known, that I, Andrew Johnson, President of the United States, by virtue of the power and authority in me vested by the Constitution, and in the name of the sovereign people of the United States, do hereby proclaim and declare unconditionally and without reservation, to all and to every person who directly or indirectly participated in the late insurrection or rebellion, a full pardon and amnesty for the offence of treason against the United States, or of adhering to their enemies during the late civil war, with the restoration of all rights, privileges and immunities under the Constitution and the Laws which have been made in pursuance thereof.

In testimony whereof I have signed these presents with my hand and have caused the seal of the United States to be hereunto affixed.

Done at the City of Washington, the 25th day of December, in the year of our Lord, 1868, and of the independence of the United States of America the ninety-third.

[By the President.]

ANDREW JOHNSON.

F. W. SEWARD, Acting Sec'y. of State.

The full pardon and amnesty proclamation just issued by President Johnson includes Jeff Davis, J. C. Breckinridge, Jacob Thompson, Mason, Slidell and all others who were directly or indirectly engaged in the late insurrection or rebellion. The parties above named are now in foreign countries.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

—The Manchester Cotton Mills are to be run only three days in the week for the present.

—The amount of internal revenue tax refunded during the past three years is stated at two and a half millions.

—The Trustees of the Philadelphis Gas Company have been authorized to borrow $1,500,000 for improvements.

—The State Auditor of Virginia fowarded to Europe 47,500 to pay the July interest on the two per cent. State debt.

—St. Johns Church, at Waterbury, Conn., was destroyed by fire Thursday morning. Loss $100,000; insured for $35,000.

—The Pacific Railroad will be completed to Echo Canon, nine hundred and seventy-five miles west of Omaha, next week.

—The Reformed Dutch Church at Ghent, New York, one of the most costly in the country, was burned on Thursday morning.

—A frame boarding-house in Evansville, Indiana, known as the "Bull's Head," was destroyed by fire yesterday morning. Loss about $5,000.

—The Board of Assessors of St. Louis have returned the population of St. Louis city and county at 241,071, an increase of 53,251 since 1864.

—The bark Annie W. Weston, from Philadelphia, went ashore on the Pacific coast, thirteen miles south of Golden Gate, on Wednesday morning.

—The provision store of Joshua L. Weeks, at Portland, Me., was destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon. Loss estimated at about $12,000; insured for $5,300.

—A fire occurred at the Amherstsburg lunatic asylum, Wednesday night, by which one woman was suffocated and two others badly burned. The building was saved with great difficulty.

—At the Theater Comique, Boston, Wednesday night, George Maffit, scene shifter, aged twenty-four years, was instantly killed by falling a distance of twenty-five feet from the flies to the stage.

—A fire at Dacotah, Iowa, on Thursday morning, destroyed two groceries, two saloons, one shoe store, one tailoring establishment, one harness shop, one dwelling-house and a barber shop. Loss about $30,000.

—Rufus Patterson, of the firm of George Patterson & Son, while walking on the street, in Memphis, last night, had his right leg almost carried away by a sky rocket. He is in a dying condition. A stranger was also seriously wounded at the same time.

—A petition of the St. Louis National banks to the county court for a stay of the collection of tax on stock until the legality of the law can be decided by the United States Supreme Court, has been denied. The amount due from the St. Louis banks is between $300,000 and $400,000.

—Eighty-three acres of land adjoining Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, have been given to the city by Jesse George, the owner, on the condition that the authorities pay him $5,000 per annum during the rest of his life. Mr. George is sixty-five years of age, and the property is worth $300,000.

—In the case of Sally Anderson, under sentence of death, and who was released by Judge Underwood, and arrested a few days afterwards by the city authorities of Richmond, Va., the Mayor has applied to General Stoneman to know what to do with her, as the county authorities have made no requisition for her.

—William P. Wright has been arrested at New York City, charged with selling fraudulent passage tickets on the railways running West. A twenty-dollar Chicago ticket was sold by him for fourteen dollars. He had charge of what purported to be a railway ticket office at 206 Broadway, and an assortment of implements for the manufacture of bogus tickets was seized on the premises. The exact dimensions of the fraud are incalculable at present. Wright was held for examination.

SECOND EDITION.

FOUR O'CLOCK A. M.

FROM EUROPE.

English View of American Finances—Conference on the Eastern Question—Terrible Steamship Disaster in Asia Minor—Greek Government Asks for a Levy Of Troops.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, December 24.—The London *Times* this morning, in reviewing the recent report of the Treasurer of the United States, derives altogether a disheartening view of American finances.

It is regarded as almost certain that France and England will join in the conference for settling the eastern question.

LONDON, December 24.—The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council have rendered a decision in the case of Martin vs. MacKonchie, on an appeal from a judgment in the Court of Arches, by Sir R. Phillipmore. The charges against MacKonchie were kneeling or prostrating before the Consecrated Elements, and the use of lighted candles. The Privy Council, after a lengthy hearing and consideration, to-day announced their decision against MacKonchie, and in condemnation of the practices charged against him.

Vice Chancellor Sir M. Gifford succeeds the new Lord Chancellor, Sir Wm. Page Wood, as one of the Lords of Justice of the Court of Appeals in Chancery. Mr. James has been appointed a Vice Chancellor to fill vacancy caused by promotion of Sir M. Gifford.

ASIA.

MARSEILLES, December 24.—Dispatches have been received here giving the particulars of a dreadful accident which occurred recently near Smyrna, in Asia Miner. No. 2 of the Egyptian Mail Steamers came in collision in the Gulf of Smyrna, and it is said that over two hundred passengers were killed by the shock.

MARINE NEWS.

LIVERPOOL, December 24.—The steamer City of Antwerp, which arrived here on the 22d inst., reports having passed the ship Columbia, of the Anchor Line, on the 19th inst., in longitude 22, on the usual route.

GREECE.

ATHENS, December 23.—The Greek Government has asked of the Chambers an extraordinary levy of troops. The National Guard has been mobilized.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

LIVERPOOL, December 24.—To-morrow being Christmas, the Brokers' Circular was issued to-day. Cotton; sales of the week, 81,000 bales, of which 16,000 were for export and 11,000 on speculation; stock 335,000 bales, of which 59,000 are from the United States; the market to-day was quiet, with sales ten thousand bales middling uplands at 10⅝d, and Orleans at 10⅞d. Breadstuffs—Wheat 11s 11d for California white, and 9s 10da10s for red winter. Flour 26s 6d. Corn 38s 9d. Oats 3s 7d. Barley 5s. Peas 45s. Provisions—Pork 87s 6d for mess. Beef 105s for prime mess. Lard heavy at 66s 6d. Cheese 69s. Bacon 54s. Turpentine 26s 6d. Tallow 48s 6d. Refined Petroleum 1s 7d. Manchester market steady.

LONDON, December 24.—Tallow 49s, Calcutta Linseed 57sa57s 6d. Bank of England bullion increased 450,000 pounds sterling on the week.

ANTWERP, December 24.—Petroleum 53 frs; holders ask 1-2 fr more

LONDON, December 24.—*Evening.*—Consols, 93¼ for money; and 92⅝ for account. American securities quiet; Seven-Thirties, 74½; Erie, 26½; Illinois Central, 94¼.

FRANKFORT, December 24.—Bonds weak at 78½.

The Cuban Insurrection.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

HAVANA, December 24.—No reliable information can be obtained in reference to the insurrection, but many rumors are in circulation. It is stated that the troops in the Eastern department are concentrating to attack Bayamas, and if possible to fight a decisive battle.

Commerce is languishing and credit is low. Merchants and artisans are all desirous of an end to the present condition. Prisoners continue to arrive, and the prisons and forts are already well filled.

The English mail steamer is overdue and fears for her safety are entertained.

A heavy northern wind is prevailing.

Business will be entirely suspended until the 1st of January, in consequence of the festivities of holy week.

Captain General Lersundi gave a splendid banquet yesterday to Gen. W. T. Smith, President of the International Oceanic Telegraph Company. Toasts were given and speeches made expressive of a desire for the preservation of peace and good relations between Spain and the United States.

Railroad Accident.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

BOSTON, December 24.—The engine and one passenger car of the inward bound train on the Maine Railroad on Wednesday evening ran into an open draw near the State Prison Bridge in Charlestown. Fortunately nobody was hurt.

The Whalen Assassination Case.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

TORONTO, December 24.—Application for leave to appeal in the Whalen case was laid over for argument before a full Appeal Court on the 31st. The prisoner has been further respited until the 1st of February.

Markets by Telegraph.

NEW ORLEANS, December 24.—Cotton: receipts to-day, 6,677 bales; receipts for the week, net 30,897, gross 31,489; exports to-day, 1,888 bales; for the week, to Liverpool 9,958, to the Continent 1,195, coastwise 7,594; stock on hand, 133,288 bales; middlings firm at 38½c; sales to-day, 4,800; for the week, 29,150. Gold 135¾. Sterling Exchange, 147¼; Commercial, 145¾a146½. New York Sight 1-2 per cent. discount. Sugar and Molasses active at yesterday's prices; receipts all sold. Flour—low grades higher; superfine $7,50; double extra $6,50a 6,75; treble extra $8,00a8,50. Corn firm at 80c. Oats 65c. Bran unchanged. Hay is quiet at $26 for prime. Pork firm at $28,75 a29. Bacon scarce and higher; shoulders 14c; clear rib 18¼a18¾c; clear sides 19 1-2c; hams 47a18c. Lard—tierce 18 1-4a18 1-2c; keg 19c. Whisky quiet and firm; western receipts $1,17 1-2c. Coffee steady; fair 14 1-4 a14 3-4; prime 16 1-2a17c.

CHICAGO, December 24.—All the markets to-night are quiet. No. 1 Wheat was offered at $1,11, but no sales were made. Corn and Oats inactive and nominally unchanged. Provisions quiet and steady.

NASHVILLE, December 24.—The cotton market is dull; low middling 22c; good to ordinary 21½c.

NEW YORK CITY.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

NEW YORK, December 24, 1868.

Chief Justice Chase has consented to preside at the banquet to be given Professor Morse at Delmonico's, on the 19th instant. Among the distinguished gentlemen to be present on that occasion are Edward Thornton, the British Minister, Professor Goldwin Smith, General Roatsdorf, Danish Minister of War, Theodore Woolsey, President of Yale College, F. A. Barnard, President of Columbia College, Amos Kendall, Ex.-Governor Curtin and many others. Telegraph instruments will be brought into the banquet room and communications sent and received from all parts of the world.

At a meeting of the heirs of Anneke Jans, at Orange, N. J., yesterday, a committee was appointed to prosecute the claim against Trinity Church in the United States Supreme Court, at their own risk, and to receive ten per cent. only in case of success.

The liabilities of Turnbell, Slade & Co., dry goods dealers, who have failed, are $1,600,000. Their books, however, show a surplus of $250,000, and it is though, they may be able to make a settlement and go on with their business.

Wendell Phillips, in the *Anti-Slavery Standard*, to-day, opposes vehemently the repeal of the tenure-of-office bill.

In the Belmont vs. Erie Railroad case argument was had to-day before Judge Cardoza on a motion to vacate the order appointing Gratz Nathan referee to take the compulsory affidavit of the Vice President of the Road. Decision was reserved.

District Attorney Courtney publishes a letter in the *Evening Post*, denying any responsibility for the postponement of the trial of parties indicted for whisky frauds, and says he is ready, able and willing to try any or all of these cases as soon as he can have opportunity to do so.

Heinrich Shaffer, the alleged German wife murderer, surrendered under the extradition treaty, left on the steamer Maine for Bremen to-day in the custody of Deputy Marshal Dwyer.

The *Sun* thinks it cannot be wrong in announcing that Hon. E. B. Washburne will be President Grant's Secretary of Interior.

The Western mail due this afternoon was several hours behind time here; cause not stated.

A Havana letter says that two telegraph operators who accompanied Balmazda from Puerto Principe were shot by his orders for having acted in the interest of the Insurgents.

The members of the Third Army Corps had a re-union yesterday, at which preliminary steps were taken toward bringing together the survivros of the Army of the Potomac in an association similar to those formed by the Armies of the West.

Eighty convicts in the New Jersey State Prison refused to work on Tuesday afternoon, on account of the alleged tyrannous conduct of the temporary Snperintendent. They were so persistent and determined in their demands that it was found necessary to relieve the obnoxious Superintendent, whereupon they went to work with cheers.

All business will be suspended to-morrow. The Government Stock Board adjourned to-day till Monday.

Amusements.

THE OPERA HOUSE.—There was another very fine audience present at the Opera House last night on Mr. Booth's fourth appearance, in his second engagement of the season. The play, Shakespear's Merchant of Venice, was admirably put on the stage, and the great actor ably sustained his brilliant reputation in the personation of the avaricious Shylock. Miss McVicker acquitted herself in a noble manner in *Portia*, a part in which her genius and clever histrionic ability shine forth conspicuously. The stock company as usual lent able support throughout the performance.

This afternoon a grand Booth matinee will be held, with Shakspear's popular comedy of Much Ado About Nothing—"Benedict," Edwin Booth, "Beatrice" Miss McVicker. On Friday evening Othello will be presented, Mr. Booth as Iago and Miss McVicker as Amelia. There are plenty of seats on hand for both occasions.

To-morrow afternoon a grand matinee will be held, when Hamlet will be produced, and in the evening the great histrion will make his farewell bow for the season to a Pittsburgh audience in the "Lady of Lyons."

DRUMMER BOY OF SHILOH.—The sterling drama of the "Drummer Boy of Shiloh" was produced for the fourth time last night at the Academy before a large and enthusiastic audience. The play is so truthful, so full of war realities, so touching and inspiring as to win its way to the heart, and could never prove tiresome, no matter how often witnessed. The characters are all admirably sustained, and the rendition of the play throughout by our home amateurs would do credit to any stock company in the country. We trust not one of our readers will fail to attend one of the few remaining performances, for we can promise him in advance a rare entertainment. Miss Lizzie Mooney, our sweet-voiced and talented home vocalist, appeared last evening, singing the sabre song from Offenbach's opera of the Grand Duchess, in a spirited and masterly manner. By special invitation she will again appear this afternoon and evening.

A fashionable Christmas matinee will be held this afternoon, when many additional features will be introduced in the programme. To-night the performance will commence at quarter to eight o'clock, and all should be punctually present at that hour.

PITTSBURGH THEATRE.—The Female Minstrels, at the Old Theatre, are drawing full houses and may be considered a good card for the manager. The entertainments at this establishment are of a varied character, and well calculated to please the lovers of genuine fun and amusement. The great clog dancers and Ethiopian commedians, Sheridan and Mack, are great favorites, and their talent adds considerably to the enjoyment of the exhibition. There will be a matinee at the "Old Drury" this afternoon and a performance this evening, with the entire Varieties company in a new bill. Two performances to-morrow also.

ORPHANS' FAIR.—The attendance at the Orphans' Fair, which is now being held in the basement of the Cathedral, was unusually large last evening, and the fair promises to be a greater success than it was last year. The different booths were all doing a good business in the way of sales, a matter not to be wondered at when we take into consideration the many attractions they present, including the saleswomen, of course. The St. Pauls Cathedral Brass Band is in attendance every evening and enlivens the occasion with excellent music. Everybody should help the orphans.

FAIR.—The Mission Church Aid Society commenced its second Annual Fair at the Missien Church, corner North and Avery streets, Allegheny, last evening. The attendance was quite large, and the display of articles remarkably fine. Rev. Henry Highland Garnet delivered the opening address, after which the occasion was enlivened by excellent vocal and instrumental music.

THE COURTS.

District Court—Judge Hampton.

Court met at the usual hour yesterday morning, Judge Hampton presiding.

The case of Adam Appel, lessee, and Elizabeth Denny, owner, vs. the widow, heirs and devisees of James Woods, deceased, previously reported, was resumed, and after a number of witnesses had been examined, the case was postponed until Monday, January 4th, and Court adjourned.

The argument will be resumed on Monday of next week.

Common Pleas—Judge Stowe.

Jacob Lehl vs. Elizabeth Glies, previously reported. The jury returned the following verdict:

"That the said Elizabeth Gleis is fifty years of age, that she is now partially insane and has been so for a period of three years and upwards last past, and by reason of such lunacy is incapable of managing her estate; that she resides within the County of Allegheny, and has the following described next of kin, four children, viz: Elizabeth Lehler and John Gleis, both of full age, and William and Gotleib Gleis, both in the age of minority, and that she is possessed of an interest in personal estate consisting of a lease-hold property, 186 Ohio street, Allegheny, valued at $25, another leasehold property, 181 Ohio street, Allegheny, valued at about $2,500, of both of which she has an interest of one-third, and an interest of the one-third of the annual income of real estate at No. 244 Ohio street, and No. 9 Virgin alley, Allegheny, which brings an income in all of $333.

Samuel McCurkan vs. James Hastings. Verdict for defendant.

Kuidan vs. McKnight. Motion by defendant's counsel for a new trial.

Quarter Sessions—Judge Mellon.

The following cases were disposed of on Thursday:

John Nevergold; charge of abandonment, on complaint of the wife. The parties resided in Stewartstown, and separated under an agreement, drawn by an astute attorney, by which the husband was required to pay the wife one hundred dollars down and one hundred dollars in six months, the wife agreeing on her part not to ask for further support from the husband. The agreement was complied with by the husband as to the payment of the one hundred dollars down, but he failed to pay the second hundred. The Court held the agreement to be null and void, but ordered the husband to pay to the wife twenty dollars in hand, and twelve dollars per month until further order is made in the premises.

Nathan Costa was indicted for stealing hogs, the property of Hannah Brooks. The parties reside in the old Seventh ward. It was shown that the defendant took the hogs under the belief that they belonged to him, and the jury accordingly acquitted.

Commonwealth vs. John Anderson, a lad; indictment larceny. The prisoner plead guilty, and was sentenced to the House of Refuge.

E. R. Gardiner was arraigned on an indictment charging him with having committed an assault and battery upon W. E. Stewart. The defendant plead *nolle contendere*, and was sentenced to pay a fine of twenty-five dollars.

John McCann was charged with stealing old iron, on oath of Sarah Quinn. It appeared that the iron was taken in daylight and with the consent of the prosecutrix. Verdict not guilty.

Harry H. Kneeland plead guilty to an indictment for selling liquor on Sunday. In two other indictments against him for like offense the District Attorney entered *nolle pros.* Sentence deferred.

Samuel Mathews, First ward, Pittsburgh, was indicted for selling liquor without license. He plead guilty and was sentenced to pay a fine of $50 and costs.

James Rodgers was indicted for assault and battery, on oath of J. W. Wedge. The prosecutor is a barkeeper at the "Bull's Head," Second avenue, where the disturbance occurred. The defendant entered the place in a drunken condition and asked for a "drink," which was refused, whereupon, it was alleged, he assailed the prosecutor. For the defense a different story was told. Verdict not guilty, prosecutor to pay the costs.

James McNamaree and Austin McClain were indicted for the larceny of a coat from the store of George Dorsch, in Allegheny, on the evening of the 16th of November last. A plea of "guilty" was entered as to McClain, and the jury were sworn as to McNamaree. Verdict, not guilty and the prisoner, McNamaree, after a reprimand by the Court, was discharged. Austin McClain, who plead guilty to the indictment, was sentenced to pay a fine of six cents, costs of prosecution and undergo an imprisonment of four months in the county jail.

The time of the present jury having closed, the jurors were discharged with the thanks of the Court. The next jury will assemble on the first Monday of January, 1869, when jury trials will be resumed.

Presentation to Officers.

Upon the arrival of the Soda Works Accommodation train, on the Allegheny Valley Railroad at the Depot yesterday morning, the officers of the train were taken very much by surprise by being made the recipients of handsome and costly presents. The Superintendent of the road having been made cognizant on the day previous of what was to take place, ordered the men to report in his office on the arrival of the train the following morning. They had not the remotest idea of what was to take place, and of course felt somewhat ill at ease. Upon assembling together they were met by the patrons of the Accommodation, with Captain Ben. W. Morgan at their head. In a very appropriate and eloquent manner the Captain, in behalf of the patrons of the Soda Works Accommodation, presented to Conductor J. B. Connor a costly gold watch. To the baggage master, Mr. F. C. Connor, the engineer, Mr. D. K. Yoder, and the fireman, each was presented with a handsome silver watch. The brakesman, Mr. James Templeton, was presented with a heavy gold ring. Altogether the presents amounted to a considerable sum, and were worthily bestowed, as the officers of that train, by their uniform courtesy and faithful attention to their duty, have won the love and esteem of the passengers and the confidence of their employers.

A Christmas Gift.

Last evening, about half-past six o'clock, the front door bell of Mr. J. N. Frazier's residence, on Lincoln avenue, First ward, Allegheny, was violently rung, which brought Mr. Frazier immediately to the door. As he opened it a man was noticed running with great haste in a direction from the house, but nothing was thought of the circumstance until a further examination of the premises resulted in the discovery of a large sized basket, which had been placed at the foot of the steps, evidently for the purpose of attracting the attention of the person coming to the door. When taken in and examined the basket was found to contain a male infant, apparently a week old, carefully wrapped in shawls and blankets to preserve it from the severity of the weather. There was nothing to indicate to whose kindness the proprietor of the house was indebted for the gift, and as he had no particular use for it, the little waif was taken in charge by the Directors of the Poor. Later in the evening it was placed under the care of a lady who, for the present, consented to its adoption into her family. It presented the appearance of health and vigor, and when the basket was opened set up a cry which would have done credit to one much older than itself.

—Gen. Grant is reported to have said to Congressmen, with whom he had a conversation a day or two since, on the subject of subsidies to the Pacific Railroads, that no matter what may be said about the prospective benefit we are to derive from these roads, it is too long to wait, and we should make use of our present resources without increasing the burden of debt by incurring expensive risks which are hazardous. The Congressmen who were present at the interview were astonished at the frankness with which the General expressed his views, while they one and all pledged him their support. The General at the same time gave his opinion that there should be an extra session of the Forty-first Congress. The existence of the present Congress is for so short a time that there will be barely time to pass the appropriation bills, and it is doubtful whether the great question of our finances can be properly cared for. The *Tribune* extols these remarks and says: "This simple declaration will save millions to the Treasury. Let economy be the word and the country will respond. Any Congressman who presumes to stand in the way will be rebuked by the people. Gen. Grant is right, and the nation will give him an enthusiastic support."

—Col. N. Wyncoop, in his address to the American Geographical Society, defended the Indian Bureau against certain charges made agaidst it. He said: As the Bureau exists at present I do not know how it can be settled. I have failed to see, so far, how the department of the Interior or the office of the Indian Bureau has been to blame for any of our Indian troubles. Let the sympathies of the people of this great country be aroused for the Indian, as they have been for the African, irrespective of the Indian Bureau or Congress, and there will be such a radical change in the condition of the Indian as will be of great benefit to him in the future, and consequently to our whole country.

DELMAR has just given light to the results of his census studies. Admitting that they are correct—and Mr. Delmar's recent and remarkable debt ciphering makes such an admission a question—his figures will somewhat astonish the country and upset many current theories. He makes out the total population in 1867 to have been 36,743,198, of whom 4,633,371 were colored; in 1860 the total was 31,445,080, of whom 4,469,505 were colored. Assuming these figures to be correct, it appears that the colored race, so far from perishing off the face of the South, has considerably increased in numbers. The relative population of the great sections of the country will attract especial interest at this juncture. Mr. Delmar estimates the population of New England at 3,511,098; that of the Middle States, including Maryland, at 9,425,116; of the Southern States, at 10,649,460, of whom 3,884,532 are colored; of the Western States, including the Pacific States, 12,667,574; of the Territories, 489,950.

THREE children in New Brunswick got astray. One, a girl, was about six years of age, the others four and three. It was a wild region, and in wild weather, and at the edge of night. From signs it seems that the six year old girl soon felt sure that there was no hope of their being found that night, and so took measures at once for the safe keeping of her little ones. Putting them in the most sheltered nook she could find, she then stripped away most of her own garments to put on them, and then set out to gather dry sea weed and brush to cover them up in and defend them. A large quantity of this had been gathered and piled about the babes into a sort of nest, and there they lay when the people found them, still alive; but the six year old matron and martyr lay out on the shore dead of the cold, beside the last pile of brush she had been able to gather, but was not able to bring.

IT MAY not be generally known that the patent held by A. B. Wilson for the "four-motion feed" used in all family sewing machines for feeding along the cloth, expired on the 19th inst., and Commissioner Foote has refused to grant an extension. That important part of the machine may now therefore be used freely by any manufacturer, and an important step toward reducing the price of the machines is thus secured. It is ascertained that the actual cost of manufacture of a good machine is only from $10 to $14, while the retail price is about $60. With this enormous margin of profit, it can hardly be doubted that the patentees are reaping ample remuneration for their ingenuity, and it is well that their rights should lapse as fast as the law allows. Yet Elias Howe's patent was extended after he had cleared $400,000 by his invention, and his heirs are now asking Congress for another seven years.

ECHO CITY, at the mouth of Weber Canon, fifty miles northeast of Salt Lake City, will be the next terminus of the Union Pacific railroad. One thousand men are at work on the deep cuts. Five hundred work at night and are relieved by five hundred during the day. The contractors say they will continue to work unless the snow gets more than fifteen feet deep. Eight large range stoves do the cooking for the workmen, and the amount of provisions consumed per day is as follows: Seven barrels of flour, twenty-five bushels of potatoes, one barrel of ground coffee, one barrel of sugar, three beeves, one half half chest of tea, six kegs of butter, twenty-four gallons molasses, one and a half bushel beans, one barrel pork, three kegs white fish, 300 pounds codfish, four cases canned fruit.

FARMERS' HIGH SCHOOL.—The President of the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania has issued an address, explanatory of the system of education to be pursued in the institution. Dr. Burrowes, with the approbation of the trustees, proposes to receive a pupil *free of charge for tuition* from each county to start with, and to make up one hundred in 1869, to be drawn from those who present themselves best qualified from any part of the State; in 870, to receive the second hundred up to four hundred, the present limit of the accommodation at the college, one from each county, and the remainder in proportion to the population of each county, all without charge for tuition. —[*Guard*,

The Pittsburgh Gazette.

'TIS CHRISTMAS EVE.

'Tis Christmas Eve—
Night, icy-mantle-wrapp'd enfolds the earth
In deep repose. Long hush'd the sounds of mirth
And joyous laugh wafted from the Cotter's door.
At earlier eve, peal'd out upon the moor;
And still'd the hymn, whose notes of pious prayer
Light floated on the clear and frosty air,
Until in soften'd sweetness borne on high,
Naught breaks the silence save the night-birds' cry.
And the fitful winds that moan and sigh
Thro' the church-yard trees—
Pale Dian pours a flood of steely light
On funeral urn and tomb of snow-clad white,
While the bright stars, like tears by angels shed,
O'er some of those here number'd with the dead,
And frozen in mid air are shimmering bright,
Fair jewels in the sombre cloak of night
A childish figure near a new rais'd mound,
Its shadow cast athwart the rippl'd ground;
A quivering voice breaks on the brittle air,
Mingling with sobs the words of anguish'd prayer.

"Mother, awake! for thou hast slept,
Long in the cold ground by my side;
I slumber'd not, but wateh'd and wept,
And yet I knew not why I cried.
'Tis bleak and very lonesome here,
I tremble sadly, mother dear.

Dear mother, wake! hast thou forgot
The Christmas gift, to me so dear?
Alas! 'tis vain—thou heed'st me not,
Thy pleading child thou will not hear.
Thou once did'st care to soothe my grief,
To every sorrow brought'st relief.

Father in heav'n! to Thee I pray,
My erring soul this night to keep;
(I had, mother, did'st thou bid me say
When I consign'd myself to sleep,)
And should I ne'er again awake,
I pray Thee, Lord, my soul to take."

O'ercome with cold and grief, he sinks to rest
Upon the frosted sod heap'd on his mother's breast.
And o'er him now their tranquil vigil keep
Those soothing sister twins—calm Death and Sleep—
From land of dreams a phantom cloth'd in white,
With face serene, and eyes of holy light,
Around whose parted lips there wreath'd a smile
Of love celestial, slow descends—the while
Her out-stretched arms she to the child extends.
And o'er his slumbering form she loving bends,
With touching grace his little hand caress'd,
And on his cravling, ashen lips she press'd
That dearest, sweetest gift, a mother's kiss.
A joyous light—a gleam of heaven-born bliss
Flash'd o'er his face—he raised his pallid head—
"Mother! dear mother!" whispering low, he said—

Peal, Christmas bells! To God all praise be giv'n!
For Christ is born—a soul has soar'd to Heav'n!

DECEMBER 24, 1856. J. G., Jr.

[FOR THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE.]

PLANCHETTE AND WHAT CAME OF HER.

BY PHILIP SHORTER.

Planchette had been doing wonderfully well. She—for I do not suppose any one doubts, for an instant, that the fickle, changeable mystery is feminine—had revealed her intimate knowledge of several things which one or the other of us had supposed to be unknown to others. She had told Lydia that she was in love with Captain Thompson, and Lydia blushed at the disclosure; whilst we others had laughed at her because we didn't know of any Captain of that uncommon name. Jane had been informed that Samuel, in New York, loved her to distraction, and we did not know any Samuel, but Jane looked very conscious, and said the stupid thing was of no account, and hadn't we better stop. But we didn't think so. She told us that Grunt would be next President, and we, making allowance for spiritual orthography, believed she meant Grant. Planchette does not write well, and her spelling is abominable, which proves that she cares little for the adornments of life, so that the essentials are to be had; a fact which is proven by herself, for she goes just as well made of common wood as of most expensive plate glass. I once heard an excellent physician say it was impossible for a woman to spell correctly, and that when she does so she is a deformity. At any rate, I have known some very superior women of much culture use very inferior orthography. Be this all as it may, Planchette did not spell at all well that night, and we three—Lydia, Jane and I—as we sat with our fingers on the mystic board, had some difficulty in making out what was meant by the curious scrawls which were scattered over the white field. Suddenly the little demon, becoming excited, ran, waltzed and tore frantically all over our paper, perfectly unintelligibly until there was not a clear space on the whole sheet. We had no other blank paper near, so I reached over to the stand and took a piece of music, which happened to be there, called THE TEMPEST, and put it down. Planchette was still, and seemed to have lost her powers. We all sat silently, and I was soon immersed in thought and retrospection. Here I was, Philip Stinger, rich enough, handsome enough, not without education and knowledge of the world and its ways, and unmarried. Besides this, I was thirty years old, and, as I looked back, I remembered the chances which I had let slip by me; blonde Sally Kenson and brune Kate Sonnberg, how they had flirted with me and I with them, what skirmishes we had had, what noisy battles, from which we had emerged unscathed; and then, too, there was the dear little Polly Ann Tempest, who was my first love, to whom I had shaken my handkerchief and thrown notes when she went to the Academy and I to the Institute over the way.

Kate was married to a rebel Major, before the war; Sallie was for two seasons the belle of Paris, and ended by marrying an amiable Russian Prince with a barbarous name, and living with him on his estates off among the Ural mountains; but little Polly Ann had moved away with her people and I did not know, nor much care, what had become of her. But these were loves of the past; my two sisters here, Jane and Lydia, would probably go off some day, and I be left in the old house alone; evidently I must marry. The question was, whom must I marry? Here my meditations were broken by Planchette, who, after a preliminary circle or two, wrote out distinctly "*mery.*" That was all, and there she stopped. This started us all at guessing. Lydia thought it was a sarcastic hint at our stupid silence, and meant *merry.* Jane thought it was a bit of advice to us, and meant *marry*, but I felt in my bones that it was a reply to my mental question and was meant for *Mary.* I must marry Mary. But out of the hundreds of thousands of possessors of that sweet name, how was I to tell the right one? There seemed to be no hint at any explanation; in the middle of the back of the sheet of music were the circles and the one word *mery;* nothing more. The whole thing was a stupid Planchettism, and in despair of anything else, I slipped the sheet from under the wheels to replace it on the stand, and there lay another sheet of music; when I had picked up the TEMPEST I had also taken the "CHRISTMAS POLKA," and no sooner did Planchette feel her pencil point on that, than she dashed off under the fingers of my one hand and wrote right on the word Christmas the word *mari*, and then ran off the side of the table. Nothing could induce her to write again, and we put her in her box and laid the music on the piano, which was then closed on top of them. Lydia and Jane went to bed, and so did I; but I couldn't sleep for wondering what could be the meaning of the two mysterious words written in the mysterious way, on the two sheets of music, by the two-wheeled, pencil-armed and mystic velocipede. But the more I thought, the more I didn't know, and I feel asleep as ignorant as I had gone to bed.

Two or three weeks after that I went with my sisters to a party, and, it may be that Planchette had bewitched me or that I had thoroughly made up my mind to the necessity of matrimony, but no matter which, there I met little Polly Ann Tempest, my old sweetheart, grown to be an aristocratic, and sweet looking young lady of twenty-seven or thereabouts, and I fell in love with her again. There were hosts of beautiful girls there in red and blue, green and white, and all the shades thereof, there were trails and sashes, and gems, for all I know, and strawberries, creams, ices, pyramids, punch and all such truck, which I didn't mind at all, because, as I have just said, I had fallen desperately in love with Polly Ann in cerulean and white, with her rich yellow hair flying down her back, crimped over her forehead and coiled on her crown. Fortunately for me Polly Ann was a stranger, for she had outgrown most of her old friends, and I engaged her for half of the quadrilles on my card, and I couldn't really say how many times I galloped with her, or begin to tell how giddy I got with the combined effects of punch, waltzing and Polly Ann.

After that night I constantly met her, we played croquet together, or rather she played and I brought my heaviest artillery to bear on her and stormed away at her heart. We rode, we drove, we danced again, and it was not very long before I had a plentitude of rivals; but I always felt as if I could distance them all. We even got so far as to read Tennyson and Mrs. Browning together and to attempt chess; and so the summer wore away, and my sisters came back from the mountains, and the old house was thrown open again, and the girls, at my request, asked Polly Ann and some others to tea. After the old fashioned, hearty, western evening meal was over, we scattered over the room, and Polly Ann and I found ourselves alone in the sitting room where the piano was. Polly Ann sang divinely and I asked her to sing me the Erlking, which is a favorite ballad of mine. She said she would, and I opened the piano and there were the two identical pieces of music, which had been there ever since the eventful Planchette night, for nobody had used the instrument since. I must confess I was startled, and some of the old mystery of that evening came over me, confusing me, but Polly Ann, coming up to sing, seized the first piece of music and read; "*Mery!* why," said she, "that's what they call me down in Delaware where I live now," and then turning over the sheet to see what the music was, she laughed and said; "Why Mr. Stinger, who has been punning on my name?" "How so?" asked I. "Isn't this a pun on my name sir?" she replied, "Isn't this *Mery on Tempest?* and don't they call me Mery Onn Tempest down in Dover?"

The whole thing was so clear to me at once that I thought I was having a rush of blood to the head. Planchette, the little seer, had actually answered my question with a mis-spelt pun, and must surely be a true prophetess; at least I felt that she must, and popped the question at once by telling Polly Ann all about it, and asking her if she would make it true; and Polly Ann consented. She didn't sing the Erlking at all, but she and I did a great deal of talking which was much more important, although what we said has quite slipped my memory.

At last we heard some one coming and Polly Ann picked up the other sheet of music. "This," said she, "seems to be much the same thing, but it doesn't contain the pun." I looked, and I saw at once the injunction of wise Planchette. "Don't you see it dearest?" I asked; "can't you see that the darling Planchette says *Mari* on Christmas?" Polly Ann was quite overcome, but as the people we had heard coming didn't come, I had time to persuade her that our marriage had been made the subject of prophecy and that therefore we ought to obey this simple injunction of the tripod prophetess.

After a while Lydia and Jane came to see where we were, and I told them at once of our new reading of Planchette's mystic writings and of the plans of Polly Ann and myself. "Ah!" said Lydia, "that is not all, for I met *Captain Thomson* at the Mountain House, and, as Planchette said, I am in love with him, and more than that, he says he is with me, and we are going to be married. Only, Planchette spelled his name with a p, and he is a Thomson without that letter." Here Jane, quite overcome, confessed that Planchette had not only prophecied truly in her case, too, but had spelled his name properly, for she had met at Long Branch a *Rev. Samuel* Griswold, from New York, and they were engaged. She had met him once before, in New England. We were all very much mystified at this, and the girls were scared; so was I, too, for that matter, but I pretended not to be, and praised Planchette and soothed Lydia, Jane and Polly Ann, and we all went back to our guests, who were beginning to be reasonably offended at our prolonged absence. We made the best excuse that we could think of at the time, and at last the tea fight broke up. Shortly after that, Polly Ann went home to Dover to get ready for Christmas, and I helped her pack the original prophetess into her trunk. And now, Mr. Editor, that is all. Polly Ann and I are to be married on December 25th, 1868, and I have bought her for a wedding gift a gold locket in the shape of Planchette, enameled with blue and set with diamonds.

Enclosed please find a marriage notice which publish as spelled:

STINGER—TEMPEST—Married, on Christmas, at the residence of the bride's parents, in Dover, Del., by the Rev. Samuel Griswold, MERI ON TEMPEST and PHILIP STINGER.

Of course we word this notice this way merely as a compliment to Planchette.

AN ANCIENT CHRISTMAS CAROL.

I saw three ships come sailing in
On Christmas day, on Christmas day;
I saw three ships come sailing in
On Christmas day in the morning.

And what was in those ships all three,
On Christmas day, on Christmas day?
And what was in those ships all three,
On Christmas day in the morning?

Our Saviour Christ and his Ladye,
On Christmas day, on Christmas day;
Our Saviour Christ and his Ladye,
On Christmas day in the morning.

Pray whither sailed those ships all three,
On Christmas day, on Christmas day?
Pray whither sailed those ships all three,
On Christmas day in the morning?

O they sailed into Bethlehem,
On Christmas day, on Christmas day:
O they sailed into Bethlehem,
On Christmas day in the morning.

And all the bells on earth shall ring,
On Christmas day, on Christmas day;
And all the angels in Heaven shall sing,
On Christmas day in the morning.

And all the souls on earth shall sing,
On Christmas day, on Christmas day;
And all the souls on earth shall sing,
On Christmas day in the morning.

Then let us all rejoice amain,
On Christmas day, on Christmas day;
Then let us all rejoice amain,
On Christmas day in the morning.

GIFTS.

The season of gifts is upon us; the very day of gifts is the one celebrated throughout the world to-day. It is more blessed to give than to receive, at least a very high authority has said as much, and many people will be able to give the result of their own experience in the matter to-day. Presents are uncertain things, scarcely to be definitely relied on by prudent people, and yet TUPPER, who was wise (or foolish) enough to write a book of proverbs, says: "Great is the influence of gifts;" and if we glance at history we find that it is indeed true. EVE presented the apple to ADAM; if she had eaten it all alone, the frightful consequence might have been that she would have been expelled and ADAM would have remained in Eden; or suppose ADAM had plucked the apple and had presented it to EVE, why, women might have ruled the world and men might now be denied their right to vote and to make themselves conspicuously disagreeable at public meetings. ISAAC would hardly have gained the heart of REBECCA if his diplomatic representative had not gone well armed with costly gifts. JUDITH would hardly have been well received on her return to Jerusalem if she had not brought the head of HOLOFERNES as a gift. The whole history of the world would have been widely different but for their mighty influence; the whole history of many a human career has often depended on them. If people could only forget their love of display and desire to do as well as their richer neighbors, how many mortifications and needless economies might be averted. We cannot see why a magnificent parure of diamonds from a millionaire is not quite as good as a little head dress or cravat made and given by your poor and widowed neighbor, if given in the same spirit; nor why a poor man, seeing his neighbor give a present worth a thousand dollars, increases his to ten, when he can hardly afford to pay five. He is not able to give the thousand, why, then, give the ten which he is also not able to afford?

The true plan is to give some little token so as to show that in the season of rejoicing you have not been forgetful, and give only to those to whom you can give freely and willingly.

"They are the noblest benefits, and sink
Deepest in man; of which when he doth think,
The memory delights him more, from whom,
That what he hath received."

A CAROL OF ABOUT A. D. 1510.

When Christ was born of Mary free,
In Bethlehem, in that fair citie,
Angels sang there with mirth and glee,
In Excelsis Gloria.

Herdsmen beheld these angels bright,
To them appearing in this great light,
Who said: "God's Son is borne this night."
In Excelsis Gloria.

This King is come to save mankind,
As in Scripture truths we find,
Therefore this song have we in mind.
In Excelsis Gloria.

Then, Lord, for Thy great grace,
Grant us the bliss to see Thy face,
Where we may sing to Thy solace.
In Excelsis Gloria.

Christmas Custom at Cumnor, England.

(From the Book of Days.)

There is a pleasant Christmas custom connected with the parish of Cumnor, in Berkshire, the church of which is a vicarage, and a beautiful specimen of the venerable parochial edifices of that kind in England. On Christmas Day, after evening service, the parishoners, who are liable to pay any tithes, repair to the vicarage, and are there entertained with bread, cheese and ale. It is no benefaction on the part of the vicar, but claimed as a right on the part of the parishoners, and even the quantity of the good things which the vicar brings forward is specified. He must have four bushels of malt brewed in ale and small beer, two bushels of wheat made into bread, and half a hundred of cheese, and whatever remains unconsumed by the vicarage payers is distributed next day, after morning prayers, among the poor.

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CITY OF ALLEGHENY, PA., TREASURER'S OFFICE Dec. 12, 1868.

ALLEGHENY CITY COMPROMISE BONDS WANTED.—Persons holding Compromise Bonds of the City of Allegheny, Pa., are hereby notified that the Sinking Fund for 1868 will be invested in said Bonds at the lowest rates offered. Proposals will be received by the undersigned until FRIDAY, January 1st, 1869.

D. MACFERRON,

de12:td7 Treasurer of the City of Allegheny, Pa.

CITY OF ALLEGHENY, PA., TREASURER'S OFFICE, Dec. 12, 1868.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO the holders of the SIX PER CENT. MUNICIPAL BONDS of the City of Allegheny, that the Coupons on said Bonds coming due January 1st, 1869, will be paid on said day, (less the State tax,) at the Bank of Pittsburgh, in the city of Pittsburgh, Pa. D. MACFERRON,

de12:9d Treasurer of the City of Allegheny, Pa.

Financial Matters in New York.

Gold Closed at 135¼.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

NEW YORK, December 24, 1868.

GOLD.

Money was very close during the morning, and call loans were made at 7 per cent. currency to 7 per cent. gold, with commissions added of 1-32@¼ per cent. Later the demand became less urgent and an easier feeling prevailed, the rates falling to 7 per cent. gold and finally currency before three o'clock. Discounts dull at bank; 7 per cent. is the nominal rate for prime names, but in the street the range was 9@12 per cent. Sterling dull, at 9¼@9¼ per cent. for sixty days, and 10¼@10¼ per cent. for short sight. Gold unsettled but closed firmer; opened at 134½ and closed at 135¼. The rates for carrying range from 7@11 per cent. per annum, and 1-32 per day. A report has been current that the Treasury Department is about to issue twenty million dollars of new greenbacks, to take the place of an equal amount of mutilated bills burned. It seems, however, to be unfounded. Export of gold to-day $300,000.

BONDS AND STOCKS.

Governments more active under an easier money market and a shade higher. Coupons '81, 114¾@114¾; do. '62, 110¾@110¾; do. '64, 106¼@106¾; do. '65, 107⅛@107¾; do. new, 110@110¼; do. '67, 110¼@110¼; do. '68, 110¼@110½; Ten-Forties, 105¼@105½.

In the Stock market the transactions were light and prices higher, closing steady at an advance. The most active shares are the New York Central, Toledo, Rock Island, New Hampshire and Pacific Mail. The strength of the market is partly attributable to rumors of a settlement between the Erie and Vanderbilt factions. According to the report all the Erie litigation, excepting the Belmont suit, has already been arranged, and that will be in ten days. It is said the Erie party held a large amount of Central, 40,000 shares in one house, which they purchased with the understanding that a scrip dividend should be immediately declared, and in consideration the suits to be withdrawn and both parties to combine and have the Legislature to legislate the scrip dividend legal, which now have been delivered on nineteen millions of spare capital. No Board after one o'clock. The following are street quotation:

Five-thirty Prices:—Cumberland, 37@37½; Wells Express, 25@25¼; American, 40@43; Adams, 48¼@49; United States, 45½@46; Merchants Union, 16@16¼; Quicksilver, 21¼@21½; Canton, 48¼@49; Pacific Mail, 120½@120¾; Western Union Telegraph, 33½@34; New York Central, 153½; Erie, 38¼@38½; do. preferred, 61@61¼; Hudson, 134½@135; Harlem, 126@129; Hartford and Erie, 24¾@25½; Mariposa, 6½; preferred, 20¾; Reading, 98¼@98¾; Terre Haute, 35; do. preferred, 61@64; Wabash, 58¼@58½; do. preferred, 70@71; St. Paul, 67¼@67¾; do. preferred, 85¼@85½; Ft. Wayne, 111¾@112; Ohio and Mississippi, 31¼@31¾; Michigan Central, 113; Michigan Southern, 87¾@87¾; Illinois Central, 141@143; Pittsburgh, 83¼@83½; Toledo, 100@160¼; Rock Island, 115@115¼; Northwestern, 79⅝@79⅞; do. ferred, 80¼@82¾.

State Bonds steady; Missouris, 90; old Tennessees, 68¾@68¾; new do. 68@68½; new North Carolinas, 61½@62; Virginias, 57; old Louisiana, 69¼@70½; Levee Bonds, 62½@63¼; tho latter State has officially announced the resumption of the payment of interest on all funded debts from January 1st.

Mining shares dull.

Copper Shares at Boston: Copper Falls, 14; Franklin, 13½; Quincy, 17; Hancock, 3; Minnesota, 2; Hecla, 70.

SUB-TREASURY.

Receipts at the Sub-Treasury to day were $1,557,523; Payments, $815,085; Balance, $91,-625,149.

Markets by Telegraph.

NEW YORK, December 24.—Ashes, in pots, quiet and steady at $7,75a8,00; Pearl nominal. Cotton steady and quiet; sales 2,000 bales at 25c for middling uplands. Flour quiet and without decided change; receipts 530 barrels and 500 bags: sales 620 bbls at $5.90a6.25 for superfine State and Western; $6,80a7,35 for common and choice extra State; $6,70a8,00 for extra Western; $8,45a10,00 for good to choice white wheat extra; $6,95a9,60 for common to choice round hoop Ohio; $7,75a9,00 for common to fair extra St. Louis; $10a12,50 for good to choice do., closing quiet; California Flour dull and nominal at $5,25a9,00 for old, and $10a11,75 for new. Rye Flour quiet; sales 200 bbls Western on private terms. Whiskey quiet; sales 500 bbls Western at $1,00 for free. Wheat quiet and without decided change; receipts, none; sales of 8,000 bush at $1,42 for straight No. 2; spring delivered, and $2,20 white Michigan. Rye quiet, with small sales at previous prices. Barley and Barley Malt dull and nominal. Corn 1c better and rather more doing; receipts 19,080 bush, sales of 82,000 bush at 94a98c for new mixed western, $1,08a1,09 for old do in store, $1,11a1,12 do afloat, $1,16 new yellow western, $1,02a1,03 yellow southern, and $1,03a1,06 new white do. Oats firm and more active, receipts 1,058 bush; sales 76.000 bush at 75a75¾c for western in store, and 77a77½c do afloat. Rice dull. Coffee quiet. Sugar quiet; sales 65 hhds Cuba at 14¼a14½c. Molasses quiet. Petroleum quiet at 18c for crude, and 31c for refined. Hops quiet at 10a20c for American. Linseed Oil firm at 88ca$1,62. Provisions quiet: Pork quiet and heavy; sales 560 bbls at $27,50a27,75 for new mess, $26,59a27,06 old do, $20a22,50 for prime, $25,25a27 for prime mess, $29,50 for clear; sales 500 bbls new mess, seller, February, at $28. Beef steady; sales 180 bbls at $9a16,50 for new plain mess, $14a19,50 for new extra mess. Tierce beef quiet; sales 180 tierces at $30 for prime mess, $31a35 for India mess. Beef hams firm; sales 150 bbls at $30a33. Cut meats steady; sales 140 packages at 10¾a11¼c for shoulders, 13a16c for hams. Middles quiet; sales 200 boxes at 13¼a13¾ for Cumberland cut, 14¼a14⅝ for short ribbed. Hogs opened firmer at 12a12½c for western, 12½a12¾ for city, closing heavy at the inside quotations. Lard heavy; sales 700 tierces at 16¾a17¼ for steam, 17¼a17¾ for kettle rendered; also 1,250 tierces steam, seller, February and March, at 16¼c. Butter steady, at 25a60c for Ohio, 40a50c for State. Cheese firm, at 14a19c. Freights to Liverpool firmer; engagments per steamer of 2,000 bush corn at 8¼da8¾d. Spirits of Turpentine quiet at 45a46.

Latest—Flour closed steady for low grades, and dull and heavy for other kinds. Wheat very steady and quiet. Rye quiet and steady at $1,55a1,60 for western. Oats firmer and more active at 78¼a78½c for western in store. Corn steady at 95a98c for new, and $1,09a1,12 for old mixed western. Pork dull and heavy, with sellers mess for February at $27,50, but without buyers; $27 for cash. Beef quiet and steady. Cut Meats quiet and unchanged. Bacon quiet, without decided change. Lard very heavy at 17a17¼c for fair to prime steam; sales 200 tierces prime steam, seller for January, at 17c. Fggs steady at 38a39c.

CHICAGO, December 24.—Eastern Exchange firmer; ¼ per cent. off buying and par selling. Flour very dull, unsettled and irregular; $5,31a7,12½c for low grades to choice spring extras. Wheat—No. 1 in fair demand, at $1,16a1,18¾; No. 2 opened easier; sales at $1,10a1,10¾; closed firm at $1,11; sales of No. 2 this afternoon at $1.11½. Corn quiet and settled; sales of old No. 1 at 65c; old No. 2 inactive and nominal; new shelled opened quiet at 46¼c; advanced to 48¼c; subsequently declined and closed at 46c; kiln dried No. 2 firmer and 2a3c higher; sales at 55a59c; there wes nothing doing in corn this afternoon. Oats active and firmer; sales of No. 2 at 45½a46c; closing at 46c. Rye in good demand and 5a5¼c higher; sales of No. 1 at $1,12; No. 2 at $1.10¾a1,12; closing firm at $1,15a1,15½c for No. 1. Barley steady; sales of No. 2 at $1,47a1,50. Highwines dull at 91a92c cash, and 94c for future delivery. Provisions easier, Mess pork in good demand for future delivery; sales at $26 seller for January; $26,50 seller for February; $27a27,50 seller for February and March; $27,50 buyer for January, and at $28 buyer for January and February; $26,50 on spot. Lard at 16½c; closing quiet at 16¾c, Short rib middles, 13c, loose. Sweet pickled hams, 12c; sugar cured and smoked do, 15½c. Green hams, 13½c. Dressed hogs moderately active at $10.50a11,25; closing firm at $10,75a11, dividing on 200 lbs. Receipts for the past 24 hours—11,194 bbls flour. 27,899 bush wheat, 2,846 bush corn, 20,108 bush oats, 2,387 bush rye, 1,982 bush barley, 23,955 hogs. Shipments 10,764 bbls flour, 11,211 bush wheat, 44,360 bush corn, 13,120 bush oats, 4,060 bush rye, 2,347 bush barley, 1,759 hogs.

Hogs dull and 25c lower; at $8,60a10 for fair to choice. Beef cattle inactive and nominally unchanged.

CINCINNATI, December 24.—Flour dull and unchanged. Wheat dull at $1,75. Corn steady at 66a67c for ear. Oats 62a63c. Barley in demand at $2,20a2,25. Cotton dull at 23¾c. Whisky firm at $1. Provisions dull with no demand and prices nominal. Mess Pork can be bought for $27,50a28,00. Bulk Meats 11a13¼a14½c. Lard is held at 17½a18c, but there is no demand. Green Meats dull and lower. Hams 14c. Butter steady at 36a40c. Cheese higher, with Western Reserve at 17¼a18c, and factory at 19a20c. Linseed Oil $1,10. Petroleum 29a30c for refined. Lard Oil firm at $1,50. Gold 134¾ buying. Exchange dull at 1-10 a⅛ discount buying. The money market continues close.

Hogs dull and prices nominal, packers not buying and drovers asking $9a9,75 for live, and $11a11,75 for dressed; receipts of 9,300 head.

ST. LOUIS, December 24.—Tobacco; nothing of importance doing; the demand for common is good but the supply scant. Cotton; sales of 16 bales at 21½a22¼c. Flour quiet and unchanged; fall superfine $6a6,25; extra $6,50a6,70; double extra $7a7,25. Wheat dull except for strictly choice; sales of prime at $1,70; choice $3,00; common spring $1,25; good $1,35. Corn dull and drooping; sales at 62a66c. Oats very quiet at 53a55c. Barley; not much doing; common fall $2,30; choice $2,60a2,65. Rye dull at $1,20a1,25. Pork dull at $27,75a28,00. Bulk Meats dull and nominal. Bacon dull and heavy, with only a small business doing; sales of clear sides at 17¼c. Whisky firm; sales at 97½c, but generally held higher.

Hogs; prices stiff, but the market is not very active, sales ranging from 9¼a10c, gross. Cattle; receipts 3,150 head; prime to choice beeves 5¼a6¾c, gross; common to good 3a5c.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 24.—Flour quiet and unchanged; city made $11,50 for XXX white; $9,75a10 for XX amber; $8,50a8,75 for XX red winter; $8a8,25 for XX spring; country made $8a8,75 for XX red and amber; $7a8 for XX spring; $10a10,50 for XX white. Wheat—sales 5 cars No. 1 red winter at $1,75; No. 2 do. held at $1,65. Corn—sales 2 cars shelled at 68c, and 4 cars ear on the track at 63c. Oats—sales 1 car at 62c. Rye held at $1,70. Petroleum steady and unchanged; refined held at 27a27½c; 20a30c in trade lots.

MEMPHIS, December 24.—Cotton quiet and easier at 23¾c; receipts, 1,363 bales; exports, 1,751 bales. Flour brisk at $7a7,50. Corn active at 65a68c. Oats dull at 65c. Hay $22. Bran dull at $25. Cornmeal $3,50a3,75. Pork dull at $28a28,50. Lard; keg 18¼c. Bacon dull; shoulders 13½c; clear sides 18¾c. Bulk shoulders are 11c¼. clear sides 15½c. Dressed Hogs 12c.

BUFFALO, December 24.—Flour unchanged. Wheat—car lots No. 2 Chicago at $1,50. Corn, 75a77c on track. Oats, 65c in store. Rye, $1,40. Barley nominal at $1,95. Highwines, $1. Pork, $28 for heavy mess. Lard, 17¼a18c. Markets are generally inactive, holders firm but buyers keeping aloof until after the holidays. Trade in provisions and grain generally unsettled.

PHILADELPHIA, December 24.—Stock of flour 110,000 bbls, an increase over last year of 23,000 bbls; Cornmeal 2,000 bbls, an increase over last year of 1,000 bbls, wheat 81,000 bus, a decrease of 68,000 bus; Corn 142,000 bus, an increase of 92,000 bus; oats 132,000 bus, and increase of 64,000 bus.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24.—Clover seed firm at $8,25. Flax seed $2,60. Flour dull and weak. Wheat dull and unchanged. Rye $1,60. Corn very dull; new yellow 80a90c. Oats steady at 76a78c. Petroleum is nominal. Groceries firmer. Havana sugar 11a11¾c. Provisions held firmly.

LOUISVILLE, December 24.—Sales 52 hhds; lugs to medium leaf 5a12¾. Cotton 22¾. Hogs 9a9¼ gross. Mess Pork 28. Lard 18. Bulk Meats—shoulders 11¼; clear rib sides 15; clear sides 15¼. Super flour 5,50a6,00. Wheat 1,85a1,95. Corn 63a65. Oats 56a58. Rye 1,40. Whiskey 1,00.

TOLEDO, December 24.—Flour quiet. Wheat 3c better; sales amber at $1,78, seller January at $1,78. Corn 1c better for new; sales at 59¼a60½c, closing at 60c. Oats quiet. Rye unchanged. Clover Seed 10c lower; $8,40. Hogs unchanged at 10¾a11c.

IMPORTS BY RAILROAD.

PITTSBURGH, FORT WAYNE & CHICAGO RAILROAD, December 24.—260 bbls flour, Culp & Shepard; 200 do do, Watt, Lang & Co; 100 do do, S Lindsay Jr & Co; 100 do do, Kirkpatrick, Herron & Co; 1 car barley, J M Carson & Co; 100 bbls flour, Shipton & Wallace; 700 do do, owner; 100 do do, Culp & Shepard; 100 do do, Shomaker & Langenheim; 18 bags buckwheat flour, Woodworth & Davison; 19 bxs cheese, N J Braden; 25 do do, M W Rankin; 17 bbls buckwheat flour, Voigt, Mahood & Co; 10 do do, T C Jenkins; 79 bags barley, Spencer & McKay; 60 bbls appies, 10 do cider, Stockwell & Kinner; 6 do do, Robb & Herron; 50 bbls oil, Eureka Oil Co; 2 cars iron ore, Shoenberger & Blair; 10 bbls flour, J Hisel; 2 sks beans, Little & Mechling; 8 bbls apples, 2 do peas, Graff & Reiter; 4 do beans, Voigt, Mahood & Co; 15 sks flour, Dillinger & Stevenson; 29 sks rags, Markle & Co; 4 bbls butter, H Rea Jr; 3 kegs butter, 1 bbls eggs, Vangorder & Shepard; 2 cars rye, W J Meek; 1 do do, W McKim & Co; 1 car corn, Shomaker & Langenheim; 14 bgs peanuts, W F McElroy; 15 bbls oil, Jas Lippincott; 5 do do, S P Shriver & Co; 10 do do, Watt, Lang & Co; 1 car oats, McHenry & Hood; 2 cars corn, Bricker & Co; 2 bbls beans, Jas Kennedy; 50 bbls flour, W Haslage.

CLEVELAND AND PITTSBURGH RAILROAD, December 24.—1 car iron ore, McKnight, Porter & Co; 1 do do, Shoenberger & Blair; 1 do do, Reese, Graff & Dull; 1 car oil, John Spear; 1 do fire clay, Hussey & Co; 2 cars iron ore, Zug & Co; 2 do do, Moorhead & Co; 2 cars lumber, Hill, Patterson & Co; 1 car lumber, Hamilton, Algeo & Co; 1 caddy tobacco, Pretzfield & Bro; 3 bbls flour, A & S Klindolinger; 1 bbl, 1 kg, 1 tub butter, F G Craighead; 16 quarters beef, 1 hog, 1 bx poultry, 4 green hides, J Holmes, 2 firkins butter, Carter, McGrew & Co; 43 sks rags, McCullough, Smith & Co; 5 bbls chestnuts, S Ward Jr; 22 do apples, Graff & Reiter; 26 sks oats, 6 do onions, T C Jenkins; 100 water pipes, H H Collins; 2 cars pig iron, Lloyd & Black; 1 do do, Wm Smith; 24 sks barley, W J Meek; 5 boxes, S S Marvin; 3 bxs hardware, J Woodwell & Co; 4 do do, Whitmore, Wolf, Duff & Co.

ALLEGHENY VALLEY RAILROAD December 24.—280 bbls oil, D M Edgerton; 240 do do, Jas Wilkins; 160 do do, Fisher & Bro; 6 cars iron ore, Shoenberger & Blair; 11 bgs rye, 39 do oats, Gay & Welsh; 10 sks buckwheat flour, W H Kirkpatrick & Co; 3 do do, W B Ross & Co; 11 sks buckwheat flour, 3 do beans, Jas Collins; 5 pkgs butter, 36 sks buckwheat flour, T C Jenkins; 354 oil bbls, Citizens Ref Co; 2 cars metal, McKnight, Porter & Co; 16 bgs buckwheat flour. Kirkpatrick, H & Co; 8 do do, E Heazleton; 9 do do, P W Wonderly; 13 do do, H Rea Jr; 20 sks corn, 8 sks oats, Adams & Austin; 1 car corn, Martin, Brickell & Co; 1 car grain, W Gates; 28 hides, 1 bbl butter Geo Groves; 48 bgs oats, Blany & Moore; 24 bgs rye, 24 do oats, J & W Fairley; 6 bgs rags, McCullough, Smith & Co; 1 bbl eggs, 1 bbl butter, Knox & Orr.

ALLEGHENY STATION, December 24.—7 bags rye, 1 do flaxseed, J B McKee; 119 do do, M B Suydam; 7 sks rags, J B Jones; 202 do barley, G Seidle; 212 do do, M Heckelman; 1 car corn, Geo Stewart; 10 bags cornmeal, Mercer & Robinson: 224 bundles paper, Frazier & Metzgar; 2 cars wheat, W McKee; 5 dressed hogs, G Myers; 250 pigs lead, T H Nevin & Co; 1 car oats, J Stewart; 1 car barley, M Weil & Co; 1 do staves, J M Hemphill; 1 car lumber, B G Morrison; 2 pks tobacco, R & J Elton; 97 bbls rosin, W & H Walker; 27 bbls apples, John Herbert; 6 bgs rye, 120 do corn, 58 bales hay, Rose & Ewing; 64 bdls hides, Holsteine & Co; 1 car oats, M Steel & Son.

RIVER NEWS.

The weather continues very cold, and the new made ice in the Allegheny River is becoming quite formidable. As yet the ice in the Monongahela is thin and does not amount to much, but if the weather holds out as it was yesterday much longer we may expect this stream to be closed before long.

The New State from Wheeling is the only arrival we have to report. The Grey Eagle from Parkersburg got in on Wednesday evening. Both the Eagle and New State have laid up for the present.

The Champion, was to have left for Cincinnati last night. She will probably get through, as she will not make very many landings.

The towboat Jim Watson from Aurora, arrived on Wednesday.

—The river continues open at Burlington.

—The New York arrived at Cincinnati on Tuesday.

—The Emperor is loading at Wheeling for New Orleans.

—The Kate Putnam was expected to arrive at Cincinnati on Wednesday.

—The Wauanita left Cincinnati for New Orleans on Tuesday with a full cargo.

—The towboat Boaz, Pittsburgh to New Orleans, was at Memphis on Tuesday.

—St. Paul is to have a railroad bridge built immediately across the Mississippi.

—The G. A. Thompson from New Orleans to Pittsburgh, was to have left Cincinnati on Tuesday.

—Messrs. G. L. Kouns & Bros. have purchased the new side-wheel steamer Selma, at New Orleans, and will put her in the Red River trade in the place of the Era No. 10.

—Major Allen is desirous that Upper Mississippi River pilots shall visit Sycamore chain as soon as the water shall be pumped out of the dam, in order that they may see what they have been running over for so many years, and what kind of a channel it is now proposed to make for them.

—A St. Louis telegram says: At a meeting of Steamboatmen's Assembly a committee was appointed to examine the subject of steamboat signals. The movement is to be general, and government inspectors will be consulted as to the adoption of a system better calculated than the one existing to avert steamboat disasters.

—The Supreme Court of New Jersey has recently decided that a passenger on a ferryboat, who, when in the act of stepping from the boat to the shore, with other passengers, had his foot caught and badly crushed between the boat and the wharf, was not guilty of want of ordinary care, although at the instant of stepping from the boat, he did not examine particularly to see if there was a vacant space between the boat and the shore. A verdict of $2,500 damages in favor of the sufferer was therefore affirmed.

—Mr. Isaih Williams, a well known engineer, died at his residence in Burlington, Ohio, Sunday last. Mr. Williams was an old boatman, and formerly commanded the stern-wheel steamer Swallow in the Portsmouth and Pittsburgh trade. Just before the war he went South with a small steamer called the Kearney, which was afterward captured by the rebels. When New Orleans fell he was fortunate enough to regain possession of her. Selling out he came North, and has since followed his business as engineer. He was last on the Golden Eagle, but left her after the first trip on account of illness, from which he never recovered. He leaves a wife and five children to mourn his loss.

River and Weather.

LOUISVILLE, December 24.—River stationary, six feet one inch water in Canal, and full of floating ice. Weather clear and cold.

ST. LOUIS, December 24.—Weather clear and cold.

BANKRUPT NOTICES.

U. S. MARSHAL'S OFFICE,
W. D. of Pennsylvania,
PITTSBURGH, December 22, 1868.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE That on the 21st day of December, A. D. 1868, Warrant in Bankruptcy was issued against the estate of THOMAS K. WILLSON, of Allegheny city, in the County of Allegheny, and State of Pennsylvania, who has been adjudged a bankrupt, on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts, and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 116 Federal street, Allegheny city, Allegheny county, Pa., before JOHN N. PURVIANCE, Esq., Register, on the 8th day of February, A. D. 1869, at 10 o'clock A. M.

THOMAS A. ROWLEY,
de23:b88 U. S. Marshal, as Messenger.

U. S. MARSHAL'S OFFICE,
W. D. of Pennsylvania.
PITTSBURGH, December 18th, 1868.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE that on the 11th day of November, A. D. 1868, a Warrant in Bankruptcy was issued against the Estate of SAMUEL BAILEY, of New Brighton, Beaver county, Pa., and WILLIAM G. McCANDLESS of Pittsburgh, in the county of Allegheny, and State of Pennsylvania, partners as BAILEY & McCANDLESS, who have been adjudged bankrupts on their own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupts to them or for their use, and the transfer of any property by them are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupts, to prove their debts, and to choose one or more assignees of their estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 116 Federal St., Allegheny City, Allegheny county, Penna., before JOHN N. PURVIANCE, Esq., Register, on the 3d day of February, A. D. 1869, at 10 o'clock
THOMAS A. ROWLEY,
de21:b79 U. S. Marshal, as Messenger.

DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA—The undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as assignee of CONRAD C. SMITH of the city of Allegheny, county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania within said District, who has been adjudged a bankrupt upon creditors petition by the District Court of the United States for said District.

ALGERNON S. BELL, Assignee,
Attorney-at-Law, 144 Fourth avenue. 3
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LEGAL.

GEORGE WEISENBERGER vs. ANNA WEISENBERGER. In the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny county, No. 649 June Term 1868. Libel in divorce *a vinculo matrimonii*.

To ANNA WEISENBERGER, the above named respondent:

Having been appointed by the Court examiner to take testimony in the above case, you are hereby notified that I will attend for the purpose of my appointment at the office of H. H. McCORMICK, Esq., No. 87 GRANT STREET, in the city of Pittsburgh, Pa., on TUESDAY, January 5th, 1869, at two o'clock, P. M.

de11:b28.F C. SNIVELY, Examiner.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that letters have been granted to the undersigned to administer upon the estate of WILLIAM AUTH. All persons having claims against said estate will present them for payment, and those indebted will make payment to the undersigned.

BARTHOLOMEW AUTH.
Moreland, Moore & Kerr, Attorneys for Administrator. no'3:a9F

NOTICE.—Letters of Administration upon the estate of JOSEPH McCRACKEN, late of Elizabeth township, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against the same, will make them known without delay.

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WE PRINT *on the inside pages of this morning's* GAZETTE—*Second page:* "*'Tis Christmas Eve,*" *An Original Story,* "*Planchette, and What Came of Her,*" *An Ancient Christmas Carol, Gifts, (original,) An Old Carol, Christmas Custom. Third and Sixth Pages: Commercial, Financial and Mercantile News. Seventh Page: Arctic Christmas, Original Story,* "*Mynheer Blumenbaum's Pipe,*" *The Game of Snapdragon, Christmas Ephemeris, Amusements, &c.*

GOLD closed in New York yesterday at 135⅛.

THE New York Central Railway managers have effected an arrangement with the Toledo and Wabash road, for a continuous connection to the Mississippi river.

THE Alabama negotiations with England have not been suspended. It is believed that, within a short time past, considerable progress has been made towards a perfected agreement, so that our Secretary and his subordinates are confident of that result.

THE Pacific railroad lobby, at Washington, has found its Appomattox also. Gen. GRANT has laid the people under added obligations, by his decided protest against further present indulgence in the policy of subsidizing these railways, except under a few well-defined limitations. His position is stated in the paragraph printed in another column.

UNDER the benignant sway of ROUSSEAU, the "Innocent Club" Democracy of New Orleans, having carried the election by persuading Union citizens that it would be unhealthy for them to disturb the peace by attempting to vote, now suggest to the Republican State Legislature to emulate the same wise forbearance, and omit their regular session in January. In the plainest rebel English, the threat is proclaimed that the Legislature will meet at its peril. Upon which state of facts, General GRANT instructs ROUSSEAU to protect the Legislature in meeting at all hazards—and ROUSSEAU will exhibit a wholesome regard for the instructions of his General and President elect. The situation has changed since last month.

THE NEW PROCESS IN IRON-MAKING.

Our recent references to the new process of iron-making, which is now under experimental trial in this city, have necessarily been imperfect in detail, from the difficulty in procuring full information from the parties who are conducting the experiment here. We are happy to be able now to state that, ere long, an authoritative and entirely reliable exposition of the principles of this very important discovery, and of the processes of their application, will be laid before the public by the parties in interest. We shall therefore await their promised announcement.

THE COMMEMORATION.

"Now the birth of Christ was on this wise. When as his mother Mary was espoused to JOSEPH, before they came together she was found with child to the Holy Ghost. Then JOSEPH, her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privily. But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a dream, saying, "JOSEPH, thou son of DAVID, fear not to take unto thee MARY thy wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost, and she shall bring forth a son and thou shalt call his name JESUS, for he shall save his people from their sins. Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the LORD by the prophet, saying, "Behold, a virgin shall be with child and shall bring forth a son and they shall call his name EMMANUEL, which being interpreted is, "God with us." Then JOSEPH being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife, and knew her not till she had brought forth her first born son, and he called his name JESUS. And she wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger because there was no room for them in the inn.

There were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field keeping watch over their flock by night, and lo! the angel of the Lord came upon them and the glory of the Lord shone round about them, and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them,

"Fear not for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger."

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying:

"GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, AND ON EARTH PEACE, GOOD WILL TOWARD MEN."

And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into Heaven, the shepherds said one to another, "Let us now go even unto Bethlehem and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us."

And they came with haste and found Mary and Joseph and the babe lying in a manger, and when they had seen it they made known abroad the same which was told them concerning this child. And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds, but Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart. And the shepherds returned glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them. And when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, his name was called JESUS, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb."

RAILWAY MANAGEMENT.

The people of the United States have been astounded for some months past by a succession of developments in relation to the affairs of the Erie Railway Company. For gigantic swindling, and with little pretense at concealment, some of the transactions which have arrested public attention have been altogether without parallel; demonstrating that a degree of demoralization exists among the classes charged with the control of vast monetary interests which may well fill stockholders with amazement and alarm. When such things are done, and the offenders not simply escape the State Prison, but have their scoundrelisms applauded as evidence of superior tact and ability, it is time for persons who have moneys invested in similar enterprises to consider whether their interests are in peril through similar causes; or, if not now in danger, how long it will be before the contagion of rascality will attack their securities.

This condition of affairs is bad enough in itself, but it is not the worst aspect of the case. The Courts applied to, from various directions, to redress grievances of the most formidable magnitude, have mainly been found altogether untrustworthy. No venal lobby of a legislative assembly ever gave more conclusive tokens of shameless depravity. This conduct, superadded to what had been simultaneously witnessed of the complicity of Courts in the naturalization frauds, has given the minds of all thoughtful citizens a shock from which recovery will not be speedy.

And now the managers of the New York Central Railway add to the prevailing unrest and suspicion by declaring a stock dividend of eighty per cent. based upon presumed earnings applied to purposes of construction, and to enhancement in the value of the property owned. But mark! Less than two years ago this Company applied to the Legislature for permission to increase its charges on passengers, distinctly on the ground that the rates allowed were not remunerative. Admitting that VANDERBILT'S vigilant and economical management has resulted in large savings, it is not inferrable that fifteen or eighteen millions have been accumulated and applied in addition to the liberal dividends declared and paid.

Nor is it altogether prudent to declare large stock dividends based on an adjudged appreciation of the value of property. Real estate was last to feel the upward movement consequent upon the expansion of the currency and its unconvertibility into coin, and will be last to yield to the downward tendency. Of course, there are pieces of property that, owing to special causes, will hold the advance attained, and even go higher; but, in general, prices will recede as the gold basis shall be approached. Hence, it is palpable, that great enlargement of stock, made to cover these assumed appreciations, are always dangerous, even if they are not dishonest.

Mr. VANDERBILT and his family connections are reputed to own $15,000,000 in the stock of the Central, and this fact is accepted as furnishing evidence of his entire good faith in the premises. But, it must be remembered that this enlargement of stock, or what is equivalent to an enlargement, is made without authority of law, and under conditions which naturally excite apprehensions.

WAR-POWERS.

The letter from Mr. SPAULDING, on the constitutionality of legal-tenders, was reprinted by us yesterday. We cannot agree with a cotemporary, in regarding it as an invitation to the Court to pronounce against those laws. At the most, it was rather an expression of the writer's conviction that the expected decision would be adverse to those enactments. The members of that Court have long since reached their own conclusions, and no amount of commentary in the public journals, in either direction, can now have aught of influence in changing them.

Although the original Act of January, 1862, was introduced by Mr. SPAULDING, the bill itself is understood to have been prepared by the late THADDEUS STEVENS. It is also worthy of remembrance that, while the bill was pending in the House, Chief Justice CHASE, the then Secretary of the Treasury, sent a long communication to the Ways and Means Committee, arguing the unconstitutionality of the measure, although war then existed.

We have now to remark upon but one point suggested by Mr. SPAULDING'S letter. His objection was that, while the Act was justifiable as a war measure then, its continuance cannot be sustained, in this time of peace, either constitutionally or upon the plea of necessity. This objection is neither logical nor just. It would apply with equal force to the emancipation of the slaves, based upon the same necessity, but also with consequences ending long after the termination of hostilities. The constitutionality of that measure also stands or falls upon the paramount exigencies of an undefined but imperative war-power, and Mr. SPAULDING'S argument against the valid operation of the Legal-tender Acts now would be equally a sound one if applied, in the same words, *mutatis mutandis*, to the continuance of that emancipated state. He forgets, in substance, that the necessities which originate in war survive, through their results, long after peace is restored, and that the denial of these logical results is equivalent to the denial of the power itself as originally exercised. When he, or the Court, would restore the country to its ante-rebellion status, whether financially, politically or socially, all the momentous consequences, through which that bloody convulsion must live in all the future history of the Republic, will need to be ignored. His argument means nothing less.

It would perhaps have been wise to have fixed, by the express terms of the bill originally, a day certain, after the close of the war, when the legal-tender provision should cease to be operative. But this was not done—and that makes the difference. The paramount war-power grasped in its iron hand, not only the entire fabric of politics and society in eleven States, crushing that fabric into forms before unknown and capable of no restoration in a peaceful future, but it seized, at the same moment, with the same irresistible comprehension of grasp, and with the same clear title to whatever might be the logical and inevitable results, upon the commercial and financial interests of the whole nation. The hold of the government upon the resources of its people, through the current circulating medium was not less radical, nor in any degree less justifiable, than its hold upon the domestic institutions of the then rebellious Staies. Equally with the system of human slavery itself, the solid metallic foundations upon which all values rest, were, by the strong hand of authority charged to maintain its own existence against its enemies, torn up from their lowest roots. We need not compare the consequences of the two acts among themselves. Their importance varies more in kind than in degree. And neither work is soon to be undone, nor can the just results of either be evaded or denied.

We regard, therefore, this argument, of the small party of bullionists whom Messrs. MCCULLOCH and SPAULDING represent, as entitled to no weight whatever. Whatever objections they may otherwise entertain against the continued validity of the legal-tender acts, there is nothing to help them in the illogical claim that the war-power ceases to operate as soon as peace may have been restored.

Questions as to any need for the continuance of these acts "so long after the close of the war" are questions pertinent for discussion on the floor of Congress, among legislators charged with responsibility for directing and protecting the financial interests of the peopie, rather than for adjudication by legal tribunals. To the latter, these questions are properly as foreign as would be the settlement of legal principles by a legislative debate. To Congress only belongs the duty of dealing, in all its particulars, with the full breadth of each of the great results of the crisis from which we are rapidly emerging. Where the legislative function is found to be insufficient, it has been, and may again be, supplemented by the National support under the Constitutional amendments.

MODERN THEATRICALS.

Let BOUCICAULT or SCRIBE look well to their laurels! The most successful dramatist of the day is ANDREW JOHNSON, who now rings down the curtain upon a comedy more artistically constructed, with livelier contrasts in its points, more faithfully sustained and more startling in its conclusions, than any of the productions of those well known play-wrights. Their Presidential competitor understands, too, the technicalities of theatrical effect, and groups about his little work of art, at its first and last representation, all the striking accessories of his own high office, a nation for his audience, actors of a world-wide infamy of name and of guilt, the splendor of his own promises and their characteristic conclusion, and the impressive spirit of the hour now chosen for the closing scene.

His proclamation of Amnesty and Pardon for all political rebels and traitors is the appropriate finale, to the dramatic flourish with which he has played his part in the business of "Treason Made Odious." He promised much, and he has accomplished it with striking fidelity to his word. Artfully misleading the public attention in the earlier scenes, the victims so plainly designated then, for the just penalties of a national displeasure, are gradually and skilfully transformed into his heroes, and the final denouement of his drama beholds the artist himself declared as the central figure of the promised expiation, and ANDREW JOHNSON, self-gibbeted as the chiefest of traitors, invites and receives the unmingled execrations of Christendom. Let no one say now that this man has not fulfilled his high promise, for treason could not be made more odious to the American people, than it is thus illustrated in his own infamy, official and personal, and in the measureless depth of contempt into which he is fallen. The present generation, and those in the future who study American history, will agree that the odium of treason had never a more fitting and striking exhibition, than as personated by ANDREW JOHNSON on the National stage in the three years from 1865 to 1868.

We have no criticism for his management of the artistic points in the drama now closed. We accept his conclusion as the most satisfactory to the public, and because any other would be inconsistent with the established character of the distinguished author. A general approbation will crown that fine stroke of genius, with the exact appreciation of the unities, which exposes himself, the leading actor, as the only victim of the catastrophe.

Christmas Pantomimes are popular on both sides of the Atlantic, but the American Harlequin confessedly leads the world. Let us be generous, and remind Europe that our unapproachable performer will speedily and forever close his engagements here, and will hereafter be entirely at the service of his foreign admirers.

STATE NEWS.

READING has taken to velocipedes.

ALTOONA is revelling in sleigh-rides.

THE carpenter shop of Mr. Wm. Chritzman, in Gettysburg, was destroyed by fire on the 15th inst.

THERE are fifteen persons in Mehoopany township, Wyoming county, who are more than 70 years of age.

WORK on the railroad from the Schuylkill coal regions to Topton, Berks county, where it connects with the East Penn, has been suspended. The contractor received notice to quit, without any reasons whatever being given.

THE first locomotive engine built in the Lehigh Valley, and in fact in the northeastern section of Pennsylvania, was the "Nonpareil," built by the Beaver Meadow Railroad and Coal Company, Beaver Meadow, in 1839.

ON THE Erie and Pittsburgh road a few days ago a small boy was pitched over the head of a horse and alighted on the cow catcher of a passing locomotive, escaping entirely unhurt and getting a free ride to the next station.

THE Holidaysburg *Register* says: Mr. Wm. Shomo has discovered a vein of iron ore on the farm belonging to Mr. Patrick McCloskey. It has been tried by several of the most prominent iron men and proved to be the best in the State. We wish him success.

IT has been decided to complete the Auburn and Allentown Railroad. A large portion of this road, between Auburn and Port Clinton and between Kutztown and Hamburg, was completed and ready for the rails a few years ago, but owing to some cause was abandoned.

ON Saturday night last the store of Mr. Michael Fallen, in Mercersburg, was entered by burglars and robbed of $4,500 of promisory notes, book accounts amounting to about $4,000, bank notes and small change to the amount of $125, one set of single harness, one buffalo robe, three revolving pistols, two single barrelled pistols, three silver American watches, table and pocket cutlery and a variety of other hardware goods. The robbers left no clue behind them.

THE McKean *Miner* says: On Tuesday last, while Fulsom Ferris of Farmers' Valley was hunting in the Cole Creek country in this county, he came upon a doe and two fawns. One of the fawns he did not see until after he had discharged his gun. He got himself in range of two only as he supposed, and fired, the ball passing through the wind-pipe of the first fawn, and through what are known by hunters as the small entrails of the doe, and then into the shoulder of the second fawn, fracturing the same. The one shot brought down the three deer, neither of them running more than twelve rods from the spot where they were shot. Who can beat that kind of shooting?

MR. J. T. CAMPBELL, of Altoona, has had a valuable invention of his patented. It is a machine designed to supersede the old style of facing and beveling nuts. The method now in use is very tedious and only one nut can be faced on the lathe at a time. By Mr. Campbell's process any desired number, in regular gradation from the largest to the smallest, can be faced and beveled and the operation will require but a few seconds. After the nuts are attached in their proper position they do not require any changing, as they are completed on both sides at once. This machine is constructed in such a manner as to be easily adapted to any turning lathe, and its simplicity will enable even a child to perform the work for which it is arranged. Although an ingenious piece of mechanism it is not at all complicated and the patentee claims that he can do as much work on this machine as can twenty men in the manner in which work of this kind has heretofore been done.

THE Pittston *Gazette* says: On Monday, December 14th, about eleven o'clock in the morning, Jennet Jones, a girl between fifteen and sixteen years of age, residing in West Pittston, was crossing the L. & B. Railroad at its intersection with Luzerne avenue. As she stepped upon the track her right foot went down between two beams that cross the cattle guard. She succeeded in getting her right foot loose, then her left foot got fast. The engine, tender and passenger cars were rapidly approaching from the railroad bridge. She saw her perilous situation and cried for help, but too late; the train passed over the poor girl's left leg and crushed it from the foot to the knee, so that amputation was rendered necessary. She had presence of mind enough to throw her body against the fence at the cattle guard, where she was obliged to meet her sad fate, and was there found holding on with desperate perseverance after the train had passed.

General Grant on Pacific Railroads.

General Grant, in conversation with Oakes Ames, President of the Union Pacific Railroad, a few days since, said, in very decided terms, that he was opposed to granting any more money subsidies to the Pacific roads until the finances of the country were in a better condition than at present. He believed that the new railroads should not be built at the expense of the Government, except in the most urgent necessity. While he advocated the building of the Kansas Pacific road, he was not in favor of granting money or Government bonds for that purpose, but would not extend them other than land subsidies. General Grant further said that he intended to oppose, and desired all his friends to oppose, all measures looking toward granting subsidies to any more Pacific railroads during the present winter, or while he held the Presidential chair. This is the first expression which has come from General Grant on subsidizing railroads, and hence it is regarded as somewhat significant, as intending to show how far he is willing to extend aid to new enterprises. This opinion of Gaant's will undoubtedly have very great influence on the present Congress, and sounds like the death knell to any lobbyists who are anticipating a rich harvest from the various railroad schemes which will be brought forward during the present session.

THE Broadway Congregational Church at Norwich, Connecticut, has adopted a formula for morning and evening service, which has been printed and circulated in the pews of the church. It is quite an innovation in the old orthodox order of worship. In it the congregation are told just when to stand and sing, when to be seated, and when to bow their heads. During the "Prayer of Invocation" the congregation are to sit with bowed heads; the "Pastoral" prayer is to be followed with a choral of two or three chords on the organ, and the sermon preceded by a prayer (very short) for blessing on the world. The whole to conclude with the benediction; the congregation sitting with bowed heads.

Singular History of a Once Wealthy Russian—The Descent from Affluence to Poverty.

(From the Cleveland (Ohio) Herald, Dec. 16.)

The eccentric genius, Karl Lansing, concerning whose actions at the station house on Sunday we gave short notice, has an interesting history, which we give in part below. Born in Russia, he early showed a disposition to acquire knowledge, and his father, who was at that time immensely rich, determined to give him a thorough education, and for that purpose sent him to the best schools and colleges the neighboring empires could boast. As a consequence of his facilities Karl acquired several languages, and when his education was pronounced finished he could speak German, French, Italian, Russian and Spanish with fluency. Shortly after coming from college he married one of the most beautiful ladies in St. Petersburg, and at once became the envy of the whole city. His father was a man of note, not only in Russia, but in the adjoining provinces, where his fame became a household word. During the wars of Napoleon the First Lansing, the elder, moved to France, and his means were freely loaned to the Emperor to aid in carrying on the war with Italy. The rupture between Russia and France produced a coldness between Napoleon and Lansing, as he rather favored his native land, and would not furnish the means to fight his own countrymen. The coldness finally grew into an open rupture, and after the disastrous campaign against Moscow, Lansing was ordered out of the country. Karl, with his still lovely wife, came to America, and procuring a stylish house in New York prepared to settle down there, as the course he had taken in the French-Russian war prevented his going home, on pain of banishment to Siberia. For several years everything went smoothly with him and his, but at length his wife died, leaving him alone in the world and nearly crazed at his loss. One reverse followed another in rapid succession until the patrimony given him by his father dwindled to nothing, and he was thrown upon his own resources to gain a livelihood. Having received a splendid military education he secured a school for instruction in the broad-sword exercise, and for a time did very well. Sickness came upon him, and he was forced to give up his school and write home for assistance. His father dared not send it, as Karl had been proscribed by the Russian government, and to aid him was to secure the confiscation of his enormous property. Worrying through his sickness he at length was able to get about. Next he tried to earn a living by means of his musical talents, than which no man possessed finer, and managed by strict economy to keep the wolf from his humble door. At length he came West, rambling from city to city in search of employment as a piano tuner, which profession he still pursues. He is said to be an excellent performer on the violincello, and even in his old age, for he is now upwards of sixty years of age, he can be excelled by very few.

He possesses the happy geniality of most Russians, and seems but little troubled so long as he gets a fair living. He refers to the scenes of his former days with a great deal of pride, but speaks of France as his home, to which he intends to go before he dies. He cannot, however, forget his wife, and on each recurring anniversary of her death his sorrow is so great that he resorts to the flowing bowl to drown it. Such is the brief history of one of Cleveland's citizens. Born and educated in affluence, the admired of a powerful nation, petted at the Court of his native land, he has gradually descended the ladder of fortune until now he is at the foot, plodding along as cheerful as those who are enjoying the smiles of the fickle goddess.

GEN. GRANT expresses himself as flatly opposed to the extension of the Freedmen's Bureau, and declares that if the Reconstruction acts are literally carried out, all due protection will be secured to negroes in the South.

COUGHS, COUGHS, COLDS, COLDS,

When a person takes cold the lungs become charged with phlegm, which oppressing the constitution a natural effort is made for a relief. This effort is a cough. The only safe and prudent remedies to be adopted are those which assist nature in its work, by loosening the phlegm and exciting a freedom of expectoration until the evil is removed. DR. SARGENT'S COUGH SYRUP is admirably adapted to promote expectoration, ease the breathing, loosen the phlegm, abate the fever, and allay the tickling which occasions the cough, without tightening the chest, or in any way injuring the system, and for all temporary and local affections, such as irritation of the throat, hoarseness of the voice, influenza, &c., it is of incalculable value. Especially at this inclement season of the year it would be well for every family to have this valuable remedy at hand. Prepared by GEO. A. KELLY, Wholesale Druggist, corner Wood street and Second avenue, Pittsburgh, and for sale by all druggists and dealers in medicine. 50 cents per bottle.

TABLE TALK WITH A VICTIM OF INDIGESTION.

Reader, we will suprose you a martyr to dyspepsia. If you are not, so much the better for you. If you *are*, perhaps you may profit by this paragraph. You have just finished your dinner, we will say, and feel as if you had swallowed *lead* instead of wholesome food. You have a sensation of tightness round the upper part of the diaphragm, as if some snake of the constrictor tribe held you in its embrace, and had *knotted its coils over the pit of your stomach*. You feel supremely miserable; and such is the penalty which your complaint exacts after *every meal*. What do you desire? Ease, of course. An exemption from the incubus that robs you of all enjoyment during the day, and disturbs your rest at night. Take, then, this piece of information: You *suffer needlessly*. HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS will as certainly cure all your agonizing symptoms as the day on which you read this article will be succeeded by another. Perhaps you are incredulous; but if you have read the testimony of the eminent citizens, in every walk of life, who have tested the preparation, and submitted the results of their experience to the public through the press, you ought at least to have sufficient faith to make a trial of it in your case. It is a pure vegetable tonic and alterative, *the only medicine in the world entirely adapted to your complaint*. If you are in the habit of taking any alcoholic excitant as a palliative, abandon it, and try this WHOLESOME MEDICATED STIMULANT. If it does you no good, *say so*; but you will not do that, for it has never yet failed, in a single instance, to cure dyspepsia, biliousness, and their various concomitants

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December 18, 1868.

Agassiz and the Glaciers.

Professor Agassiz said some interesting things concerning his pet glacial theory at the Amherst agricultural meeting last week. He declared that all the materials on which agricultural processes depend are decomposed rocks, not so much rocks that underlie soil, but those on the surface and brought from considerable distances and ground to powder by the rasp of the glacier. Ice, all over the continent, is the agent that has ground out more soil than all other agencies together. The penetration of water into rocks, frost, running water and baking suns have done something, but the glacier more. In a former age the whole United States was covered with ice several thousand feet thick, and this ice moving from North to South by the attraction of tropical warmth, or pressing weight of ice and snow behind, ground the rocks over which it passed into the paste we call the the soil. These masses of ice can be tracked as surely as game is tracked by the hunter. He had made a study of them in this country as far south as Alabama, but had observed the same phenomenon particularly in Italy, where, among the Alps, glaciers are now in progress. The stones and rocks ground and polished by the glaciers can easily be distinguished from those scratched by running water. The angular boulders found in meadows and the terraces on our rivers not now reached by water, can be accounted for only in this way. He urged a new survey of the surface geology of the State, as a help to understanding its constituent elements, and paid a high tribute to the memory of the late President Hitchcock.

THE semi-official Paris papers have been instructed to mention Queen Isabella's name as little as possible. The Court and public functionaries take no notice of her whatever. Isabella, however, seems to care very little for the frigid manner in which the French Court treats her in her adversity. She sleeps sixteen hours out of the twenty-four, and passes the remaining eight in eating a great deal more than is good for her, chatting with her maids and children, and driving out for an hour or two. She has not yet seen much of Paris, and has not visited any of the art galleries. The climate does not suit her, and she dislikes the fare, too; but, for some reason or other, she prefers remaining in Paris to taking up her abode in Rome, where a large palace has been placed at her disposal by the Pontifical authorities.

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Buchanan Sarah
Boggs W F
Bradey R D
Brokaw Richard
Brawley Mary A
Brophy Patrick
Barret Fanny
C
Cook Anthony
Cavenaugh H
Camp Thomas
Camp Daniel
Caldwell Thos
Cassiday Michael
Cunningham H
Cready And ew
Craft James D
Clark Jerrod
Caster Francis
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Davis Martha J
Davis John
Dren Geo
Delaney Chas
Davine Joseph'e
Dewsnap Geo
E
Egginton Oliver
Erwin E A
Evans Kate
Eagan Edward
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Fields Richard
Fritch Frank
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Griner Belinda
George J aphfer
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Hughes Mary
Humphreys B
Hopkins Mary A
Horner H K
Harris John E
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Jones Madison
Jones David H
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Kennedy James
Klinger Henry
Kelly James
Keane Thomas
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Lewis Sarah
Lang Mary E
Lant Mary
Lynch James
M
Maguire Rachael
McCormick Hat
McDonald Wm
McSwiggan Jas
McClarey Annie
McGuire Taer J
McKee James
McLough Jno N
McKibben R G
Mcintosh John
McWilliams Kat
McCoy Davis
M Dermott T
Miller John M
Moor John
Meyer Chas
Munn Levertn D
Mitchel Josiah
N
Niepoth M
Nickrick E m
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O'Donnel Louis
P
Pritchard Rich
Paul John B
Paul Adam
Perry David
R
Rose Hattie M
Robinson James
Redman Anna M
Rees Evan
Reed Elizabeth
Rudolph John
Robb W
S
Smith Jas W
Smith Forg
Sinclair James
Steward S A
Shephard Nancy
Silvers Kate A
Stewart Theo
Shuman Matilda
Shook Virginia
Shook Emma
Shook Henry
Stephens And'w
T
Taylor Robert
Taylor John S
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White Mayers
Watters Charles
Walker James
Wagner Melia
Ward H K

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☞THE ANNUAL ELECTION for NINE DIRECTORS of this Bank to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the Banking House, corner of FIFTH AVENUE and WOOD STREET, on TUESDAY, January 12, 1869, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 P. M.

de18 b59 J. D. SCULLY, Cashier.

MERCHANTS AND MANUFACTURERS NAT. BANK, PITTSBURGH, Dec. 12 1868.

☞THE ANNUAL ELECTION for DIRECTORS of this Bank will take place at the BANKING HOUSE, corner of First and Wood streets, on TUESDAY, January 12th 1869, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 P. M.

de14:b36 JOHN SCOTT, JR., Cashier.

THIRD NATIONAL BANK OF PITTSBURGH, PA., PITTSBURGH, December 12th, 1868.

☞ELECTION NOTICE.—The Annual Election of Directors of this Bank to serve during the ensuing year, will take place at the Bank, on TUESDAY, January 12th, 1869, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 3 P. M.

de14:b38 JOHN B. LIVINGSTON, Cashier.

UNION NATIONAL BANK, Pittsburgh, Dec. 12, 1868.

☞NOTICE.—The Annual Election for DIRECTORS to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, January 12th, 1869, between the hours of 1 and 3 P. M.

de12:b30 E. S. SMITH, Cashier.

MECHANICS NATIONAL BANK, Pittsburgh, Dec. 11, 1868.

☞AN ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, January 12th, 1869, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.

de12:b31 JOHN G. MARTIN, Cashier

ALLEGHENY NATIONAL BANK, PITTSBURGH, Dec. 12, 1868.

☞THE ANNUAL ELECTION of Directors to serve during the ensuing year will be held at the Banking House on TUESDAY, January 12th, 1869, between the hours 11 A. M. and 2 P. M.

de13:b29 W. McCANDLESS, Assistant Cashier

PITTSBURGH NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE, December 11, 1868.

☞The annual election for Nine Directors of this Bank, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the Banking House, corner of Wood street and Sixth avenue, on TUESDAY, January 12, 1869, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 1 P. M.

JOSEPH H. HILL, Cashier.

PEOPLE'S NATIONAL BANK OF PITTSBURGH, December 12, 1868.

☞THE ANNUAL ELECTION for ELEVEN DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the Banking House on TUESDAY, January 12, 1869, between the hours of 11 A. M and 1 P. M.

de15:t41 F. M. GORDON, Cashier.

TRADESMEN'S NATIONAL BANK, PITTSBURGH, December 12, 1868.

☞THE ANNUAL ELECTION for ELEVEN DIRECTORS will be held at the Banking House on TUESDAY, January 12, 1869, between the hours of 10 and 12 A. M.

de15:b42 CYRUS CLARKE, JR. Cashier

EXCHANGE NATIONAL BANK OF PITTSBURGH, December 12, 1868.

☞The Annual Election of Directors for this Bank will take place at the Bank on TUESDAY, January 12th, 1869, between the hours of 12 o'clock, M. and 3 o'clock P. M.

de12:b29:D.W. H. M. MURRAY, Cashier.

CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK OF PITTSB'GH, PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 12, 1868.

☞THE ANNUAL ELECTION for Nine Directors of this Bank, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, 12th January, 1869, between the hours of 10 A. M., and 2 P. M,

de19:b63 J. E. BRADY, JR., Cashier.

NOTICES.

☞REPUBLICANS OF

SECOND WARD, ALLEGHENY,

are requested to meet at the SCHOOL HOUSE on SATURDAY EVENING, December 26th, at 7½ o'clock,

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OFFICE OF CONTROLLER OF ALLEGHENY CO., PITTSBURGH, Dec. 21st, 1868.

☞ALLEGHENY COUNTY PRISON—The annual election of officers of this Institution will be held at the stated meeting of the BOARD OF INSPECTORS on JANUARY 2d, 1869,

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de22:b82-d&F HENRY LAMBERT, Controller.

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OFFICE HOUSE OF REFUGE WESTERN PA., No. 67 Fourth Street, Pittsburgh, December 23d, 1868.

☞THE ANNUAL MEETING OF the Contributors to the House of Refuge will be held at the Office of the Institution, No. 67 FOURTH STREET, Pittsburgh, on MONDAY, the 4th day of January, 1869, between the hours of 10 and 12 o'clock, to hear the Report of the Board of Managers, and to elect officers for the ensuing year.

By order J. B. D MEEDS,

de24:b92 Secretar.

☞NOTICE.

PITTSBURGH, June 26th, 1868.

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FINANCE AND TRADE.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, THURSDAY, December 24, 1868.

Money remains firm at 7 per cent., gold, on call loans and a commission, but the regular stock houses of Wall street seem to be well supplied with funds, judging from the firm tone of the stock market. New York Central even advanced; also, Erie and nearly all the Western shares, with Ohio & Mississippi. Fort Wayne is firm, but the dealings are light. Cleveland & Pittsburgh is neglected at 83½. Reading is unchanged, although a dividend of five per cent. was declared. The whole force of cliques is now concentrated on all the roads that are likely to make a direct link in the connection, with the Union and Central Pacific Railroads. The New York Railroad managers do their utmost in preventing the Middle and Southern States to get the traffic from and to the west by way of Philadelphia, Baltimore, Norfolk, or any other harbor on the Virginia shore. But, in attempting these monopolies they have squandered millions and tens of millions, and have watered nearly all the stock of their roads. Two dull and unprofitable seasons, and poor crops here or an abundance abroad, might throw all these companies in bankrupesy, and the smart managers would get out in time leaving to the public their comparatively worthless or depreciated stocks.

Bonds are firm to-day which proves that there must be some demand for them during a season of commercial depression.

Gold is a shade lower but firm at 134⅝.

Quotations as received by Ph. R. Mertz: Gold, 135¼; Silver, 130; Eighty-one's, 114⅜; Five Twenties, 1862, 110½; do 1864, 106⅜; do 1865, 107¼; do 1865, Consols, 109⅝; do 1867, 109⅝; do 1868, 110⅜; Ten Forties, 105; New York Central, 151⅝; Erie, 38¼; Reading; 97⅝; Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago Railroad, 111⅝; Ohio & Mississippi, 30⅞; Michigan Southern, 87⅛; Cleveland & Pittsburgh, 83; Chicago & Rock Island, 113⅝; Chicago & North Western, 79⅝; do Preferred, 81¾; Western Union Telegraph Company, 33¼; Pacific Mail, 119¾; Adams Express, 48⅛; Merchants, 115½.

—The Chicago *Tribune*, of Wednesday, says: The stringency in the local money market continues about the same as for some days past. It is not felt so much in the application for new loans as in the inability of a large class to pay up. Regular merchant paper is pretty generally met at maturity, but a much larger proportion of the loans made by the banks on collateral security have to be extended. The relief felt by the merchants from easier collections in the country is helping them a little, but the money does not seem to get back from the country as readily as it should, and deposits have not increased with any of the banks, while with some they have run down.

—Closing quotations received by James T. Brady & Co.: Gold, 134⅛; United States Sixes, 1881's, 114; 5-20's, 1862, 110; 5-20's, 1864, 106¼; 5-20's, 1865, 107; 10-40's, 105; 5-20's, January and July, '65, 109¾; 5-20's, January and July, '67 110⅛; '68, 110⅛; June 7-30's, par less ⅛; July 7-30's, do ¼; August 119; Sept., 119; Oct. 118¼; Union Pacific Railroad, 102; Central, 103.

PITTSBURGH PETROLEUM MARKET.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, THURSDAY, December 24, 1868.

There is really but little that is new or important to be said about the Petroleum market in a general way. It is an old and true saying that there is always "a calm after a storm," and this applies with considerable force to the oil trade just now. For some weeks previous to the 21st, there was quite a commotion in oil circles, in view of an expected "corner" on the 21st, and during that time this was the all absorbing theme of conversation. As we have repeatedly stated, it was most positively denied that any "corner" was contemplated, that the oil was called for because it was wanted; while, on the other hand, it is just as strenously asserted that a "corner" was the object, and that it was the intention of the "cornerers" to squeeze the "shorts"—to get the largest "differences" possible. As it is, we hear it rumored that some of the "shorts" did get squeezed, but it was done very gently—did not hurt them very badly. There is no disguising the fact that the movement, if it was intended for a "corner," was a failure. On the other hand, if such was not the object, it is pretty hard to tell to which side the victory belongs.

CRUDE.

The Crude market continues quiet and very dull, and as we noted in our last report, concessions would have to be made in order to effect sales. Indeed, we heard of a sale, and it was the only one reported, of 1,000 bbls, at 12, which if correct, would indicate a decline of half a cent. Holders, generally are still asking 12½ for spot or all next year, sellers option, and 16 for same delivery, buyers option.

REFINED

The Refined market was also very dull to-day, not a single sale reported, and, compared with yesterdays, prices are shade lower. Spot oil was offered at 30, and it was thought a plump offer of 29¼ or 29¾, would have bought it. Lines offered—December to March at 29¼, January and Febury at 29¾. Offers to buy first six months, sellers option at 31¼, and same delivery, buyers option, at 33½.

—Since the above was put in type, there was a sale of 1,000 each January to March, at 29¾.

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G. W. Holdship & Co., 101 do do to Waring, King & Co., Philadelphia.
Hutchinson Oil Ref. Co., 100 do benzole to Warden, Frew & Co., Philadelphia.
Hartman & Love, 27 do crude to W. C. & M., New York.
Brooks, Ballentine & Co., 10 do do to Libby & Clark, New York.
Total shipments Refined..... 399
" Benzole..... 100

OIL SHIPPED EAST BY A. V. R. R.

Lockhart, Frew & Co., 154 do do to Warden, Frew & Co., Philadelphia.
Fawcett, Logan & Stockdale, 250 do do to W. P. Logan & Bro., Philadelphia.
McCreery & Co., 224 do do to W. P. Logan & Bro., Philadelphia.
Nat. Ref. Co., 776 do do to F. A. Dilworth & Co., Philadelphia.
Montzheimer, Koehler & Co., 316 do do to Waring, King & Co., Philadelphia.
P. Weisenberger & Co., 250 do do to Warden, Frew & Co., Philadelphia.
Citizens Ref. Co., 632 do do to Tack Bro., Philadelphia.
W. A. Sproul, 101 do tar to Libby & Clark, Philadelphia.
Total shipments Refined..... 2702
" Residuum..... 102

PITTSBURGH MARKETS.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, THURSDAY, December 24, 1868.

Business was very quiet to-day, and the general market continues quiet and devoid of any new or important characteristics worthy of special notice. We can report a steady local demand for most of the leading commodities, with a fair volume of business in the aggregate, while so far as values are concerned, there are no important changes.

APPLES—Firmer in consequence of the cold freezing weather, which will check recepts. Prices remain unchanged at $3,50 to $4 for fair to good, and $4.50 to $5 for prime to choice.

APPLE BUTTER—70 to 80 cents, as to quality.

BUTTER—Is in good supply but with a steady demand prices are maintained, 38 to 40 for fair, and 43 to 45 for choice.

BEANS—$3,50 to $3,75 per bushel.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—4¾ to 5 cents.

CARBON OIL—Sales of standard white in a jobbing way at 26½ to 27, and in a retail way at 29 to 30.

CRANBERRIES—$23 to $25 per bbl.

CHEESE—15 to 20 cts as to quality.

CORNMEAL—Sales $1 to $1,10 per bush.

DRESSED HOGS—Sales at 10 to 12c.

DRIED FRUIT—Sales of Peaches at 12 to 13 for quarters and 15 to 16 for halves. Apples, 10 to 11c.

EGGS—Sales at 30 to 32 cts for limed, and 33 to 35 for fresh packed.

POULTRY—Scarce and firm; sales Chickens (dressed) at 11 to 12, and Turkeys at 14 to 15.

POTATOES—Steady with sales of Peach Blows in store at 85 to 90 per bushel.

GRAIN—Winter Wheat is quiet—but little offering and but little wanted; we continue to quote at $1,83 to $1,85. Spring Wheat—no sales for some time, and little or no inquiry for it. Oats firm and in limited supply; may be quoted at 63 to 64c, on track, and 66c to 67c, in store. Corn is scarce and in active demand; sale of 2 cars prime new, in elevator, at 92c, which is an advance. Old Corn—little or none in market, and it would bring but very little, if any, more than new. Rye—sales of prime Penna. and Ohio, to dealers, at $1,47 to $1,48. Barley is quiet and nominal at $1,90 to $2 for good to choice Spring.

LARD—Is scarce and firm and tending upward; we now quote prime kettle rendered at 18c to 18½c, in tierces, and 19c to 19¼c, in kegs.

LARD OIL—Is firm and higher; Extra No. 1 Winter Strained is quoted at $1,53 to $1,55, in a jobbing way.

MESS PORK—Is also nigher, and may now be quoted at $28,50 to $29.

HAY—Sales at Allegheny Diamond Scales of 93 loads at $20 to $38 per ton, as to quality. Baled is in better supply and a shade lower; we can report sales on wharf at $23 to $26.

HOMINY—$6,50 to $6,75 per bbl.

FLOUR—There is no improvement to note in the demand, and prices are unchanged. Western Flours at $7,50 to $8,25 for Spring Wheat, and $9,00 to $9,50 for Winter Wheat. The Pearl Mill quote their best brands, made of the best Wheat, as follows: Extra Family Flour, in barrels, at $9,50, and, in sacks, $9,20 per barrel; Double Extra Family, in barrels, $10,20, and, in sacks, $9,80 per barrel; Spring Wheat Flour, in barrels, $8,00, and, in sacks, $7,70 per barrel. The City Mills quote prices as follows: Extra Family, (Winter) in barrels, $9,50, and, in sacks, $9,20 per barrel; Double Extra Family, in barrels, $10,00, and, in sacks, $9,70 per barrel, and Spring, $8,00, in barrels, and $7,70, in sacks, per barrel.

SALT—Allegheny River brands at $1,85 by the car load, and $2, in store.

WHISKY—Highwines lower, being quoted, in a jobbing way, at 97 to 98c.

HOGS.

CENTRAL YARDS, THURSDAY, December 24, 1868.

There is no abatement in the excitement in the Hog market, and prices have still further advanced. Sales were reported as having been made to-day as high as 10¼ and 10½c, for prime heavy averages, while light Hogs may be quoted at 9 to 9½c. Packers are very much agitated by this unexpected, and, we might say, almost unprecedented advance; they have been out of the market for over a week, and it is not likely that they will enter the field again until there is a material decline.

NEW YORK, December 24.—*Dry Goods.*—Being Christmas Eve there is but little doing in this branch of business, but the market is firm for all staple styles. Cotton goods still, and a gloom hangs over business circles, owing to the failure of the house of Turnbull, Shade & Co., whose credit was unquestioned up to Monday last; this firm has suspended for $1,600,000, and it is thought they may be able to make a settlement and go on. Unbleached muslins in limited request and buoyant at 15¼ a15½ for the best eastern sheetings, except Atlantic, which is held at 16; Stark A is now held at 15½. Light goods firm, and Portsmouth brings 7¾ and Portsmouth 8½. Bleached muslins, too, are looking up and a few medium brands are ½c higher.

BALTIMORE, December 24.—Wheat dull and heavy. Corn dull; prime white 80a88; yellow 83a85. Oats 65a70. Rye firm at 1,50 a1,65. Mess Pork firm at 28. Bacon quiet; rib sides 17; clear sides 17½; shoulders 14. Hams 18. Lard quiet at 17½a18.

The Pittsburgh Gazette.

ARCTIC CHRISTMAS.

I had a garden down in the south.
Showed it with myrtle, rose and vine,
If it ha' come by prophet's mouth,
That hard messa'e, with power and sign,
"Get thee hence, and leave thy garden!"
I should have held back, crying, "Pardon!
Too much—I cannot. Is it not mine?"

So, without escape or warning,
Came an angel with face of wrath,
Laid my garden was in the morning,
Shut the gates and led me forth;
Set flaming swords against each corner;
From my paradise of summer
Drove me out into the north.

All alone, cut off returning,
Winter and wilderness everywhere;
Looking back with a hopeless yearning,
The trees were rocking black and bare;
The damp dead leaves were strewing the way,
The chill rain began to pour through the grey,
And forward I must fare.

Through the great cities, perished with hunger,
The bare gaunt workshops had ceased their din,
Not a fire glowed fr m the windows longer,
Through the empty streets the rain drove thin,
The people were in; I met no faces—
Waiting silent in their dark places
Till the fever should begin.

Northwards still, and the sleet came flying
With the whistling wind, so dreerily;
Beside me long flat sands were lying,
Shimmering out to a far cold sea;
Where the flocks of stormy sea-birds hover,
Nothing else for the sky to cover
But the salt sand wastes, and me.

Jagged white spectres nodded their heads,
Dead-white against the smoke-black sky,
Where the awful mountain wilderness spreads
In a cloudy winter-world on high;
Under their giant horror, then,
The ghastly darkness of day began
In freezing twilight to die.

Falling ever thicklier and stillier,
Lay the snow o'er the Arctic girth;
Ice-shapes looming stonier and chillier
Over the desolate field and earth;
Numb as a corpse the earth was lying,
All things were dead and I was dying;—
Was there ever a summer on earth?

Dead I lay there, dead in the snow,
Wrapped in God's last merciful calm,
Till the vision of the days ago
Stole around me with Eden balm;
And I saw her living, clothed in white,
Lovely as on our marriage night,
Closed eyes and folded palm.

O blessed vision, that held me fast,
Moments or years in a rapt suspense,
What was the perished sunshine past,
And the dark day's pains, for this recompense!
Heart of home in the world-wide waste;—
One motion forward, and all was past
In vanishing darkness hence.

I wept such tears as I had not wept
Before, in a twice-dealt agony;
Till across at last before me stept
And stood on the snow the Child; and He
Spake unto me, "Lo! I am born;
Wherefore, then, dost thou weep, and mourn
The dead whom I keep for thee?"

All are gone as I wake at home—
The desolate home that once was gay;
The bells are ringing, for Christ is come;
"Christ is born!" in the air they say;
Not in the gardens of earthly delight,
Into the winter, into the night,
The Lord is born to-day.

Time to rise! The sunshine has perished,
The air is chill and the skies are grey;
The poor to be fed, and the weak to be cherished,
And the lost to be rescued, where are they?
"With you always;" though heart be breaking,
Let it work and keep down the aching:
Christ will take of it some day.

—*People's Magazine.*

[FOR THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE.]

MYNHEER BLUMENBAUM'S PIPE.

Mynheer Blumenbaum sat quietly smoking his Pipe: and he had a perfect right so to do.

For in the first place it was Christmas Eve; and if at any time a man should do any and everything that will conduce to a feeling of internal contentment, and external good-will towards all mankind, it is at the jolly Christmas-tide. In the second place, the Pipe was his own, and so was the snug little room where he sat, and indeed the whole house, and he had no wife to talk to, and no children to play with, and so was obliged to make an intimate friend of his Pipe; and in the third place, he was a Dutchman. If all which reasons do not afford ample excuse for the jolly Mynheer's nicotinian recreation, let King James' Counter-blast become a part of the Constitution, and all the tobacco-smoke in the world turn into a huge pall overhanging the funeral pyre of bachelor comfort.

So he sat and puffed, lazily looking into the fire, and now and then letting his eyes drop lovingly on the great meerschaum. It was well worth looking at, even for one who had not the reason for loving it that Mynheer B. had. For it was not a modern meerschaum, bought in these degenerate times when science can play Nature and assume to manufacture genuine articles out of spurious materials, but real sea-foam—dug in the heart of Thuringia, carved by a peasant artist, and handed down as an heirloom by Mynheer's great grand-father. Nor had it been shaped by any work-producing labor-saving machine, which could turn out a hundred fac similes while an old-time worker was slowly bringing one to individual perfection. It was a head, and the face was such as the carver must have pictured to himself while with implicit faith he listened to the old legends of the spirits of the Black Forest. Not a man's face, nor a devil's, but apparently the likeness of one of those fantastic, tricky spirits, which disport themselves wholly at their own will and pleasure, now helping and now harming poor plodding mortals, as their mercurial brains prompt them, but always doing it solely because they wish to. The narrow, retreating forehead, the eyebrows slanting upwards, the deep-set little eyes, the long, pointed nose, the large, thin-lipped mouth, and the sharp chin were all uncanny. But the expression was neither diabolical nor malicious, but simply unhuman, and must have strongly resembled that of Mephistopheles when in a good humor.

Colored it was to perfection, *i. e.* to that deep rich brown, melting in places to a lustrous black, and mottled over with spots, yellow and light brown, looking as if they ought to be transparent, but not so, which is the surest mark of the real foam of the sea.

The use of years had worn down the edges and softened and mellowed the whole face, as if Time had chosen to use his softest emery paper, instead of the sharp chisel with which he so relentlessly gouges the human face divine.

So Mynheer's honest countenance at one end of the long cherry stem, and the gargoyleish face at the other, both stared placidly at the fire, and whatever the Pipe-head was thinking, if it ever had anything but smoke and ashes in the cavity which existed where its brain ought to be, Mynheer's mind was not idle. Naturally, he was dreaming over the past, his old home and his dead parents; his boyhood in the Fatherland, the old school and his old playmates; old customs disused or but feebly imitated in the land of his adoption; old friends, dead or long unseen; and more than all of his boyish love for the fair haired, blue-eyed Trüdchen, whom he had not seen since he first turned his face from old Germany, until with all his contentment he was more than half disposed to sigh. But instead of wasting his breath in so profitless a manner, he took a long puff at the Pipe, and as usual, opened his lips to let the blue wreath ooze out. To his surprise and disappointment he exhaled only empty air; then looked to see if the pipe was out, and stared in blank amazement, to see the thin vapor curl from the lips of the face of his pipe, as quietly and naturally as if that was all that was to be expected from it. And while he vacantly kept his eyes on the smoke, waiting for it to disappear the way of all smoke, he received a second shock in perceiving that it did not dissipate into nothingness, as all orderly and well-regulated smoke does, but seemed to acquire more solidity every instant.

For it slowly shaped itself until its misty outlines became distinct, and he could see in them well-defined forms: mountains with rocky cliffs thrown into fantastic shapes, little spots of vineyard intruding where they could find room, mountain streams finding a way out of their rocky barricades, a little village at the foot of the mountains, each feature seeming more familiar than the last, until he knew his old home, a fac-simile complete in every detail. And then, before his astonished vision, the whole picture, without changing in the least, slowly sailed through the air and deliberately placed itself upon the wall over his fire, as it waiting to be framed. Mechanically, and from force of habit, he had recourse to his old remedy in all cases of perplexity, a puff at the Pipe. With like results as to the expected flavor of Canaster, for again it was the mouth on the Pipe, and not his own, which emitted the blue cloud. Once more he watched, but this time with expectant interest. Gradually the smoke expanded, save a little ring in the centre, which waited until the rest had flattened down to a smooth surface, and then moulded itself till he saw it become a ship in mid-ocean; and on it he could see men and women. And as he looked at them, he knew that amid a crowd of sturdy Teuton forms—but it took a second close look to convince him, he saw his Trüdchen. This image, too, floated away and took its place beside the first.

Then Mynheer B. held up his Pipe and looked at it. It was the same old meerschaum as ever, but there was an expression in the eyes, an additional curve to the mustache, and a little wrinkle about the corners of the mouth, which he had never noticed before.

Finding that to be all the satisfaction he could get there, as an experiment he tried another puff. It acted as before. This time he saw the room where he was then sitting, himself, his Pipe, everything that was then about him, down to his own wide open eyes and amazed countenance, and the smoke-pictures hanging on the wall. With a determination not to be surprised, he watched the vision on its course to the wall, as if it was something he had been accustomed to all his life.

Waiting until it was steadily fixed in its place, he made a fourth attempt to see if the imp of the Pipe was going to let him have his smoke out, or intended to usurp that pleasing occupation for its own use and benefit. A fourth time he felt cheated, though he also felt that he would have been more dissappointed if he had been allowed to break the charm and disenchant the magic smoke by contact with his merely mundane lips. And the picture was strangely like the last, but to the eyes of the batchelor strangely and wonderfully different. It was his own room that he saw, but there were things in it which he knew he had never brought there. A little shoe, sundry knick-knacks on his dressing bureau, garments of drapery more ample and flowing than any his tailor had ever furnished him, divers little adornments about the room giving it an air of comfort it never had before, another chair beside his own, and in it, combining in her person the drapery and ornaments, and in her face the comfort and home fulness which had so altered the aspect of the little chamber, Trüdchen herself. As with longing eyes he watched the picture arrange itself to complete the quartette, he drew a long breath—then puffed again. As of old, the sweet-flavored smoke came to his call. Again he drew, but this time it was thinner than before. Again, and it was the mere shadow of vapor. Once more—the Pipe was out.

"Gott in Himmell," said Mynheer, "if I ever should see Trüdchen again, there are happy days in store for me, but nothing shall ever part *us*, old friend.

THE GAME OF SNAPDRAGON.

[From the Book of Days.]

One favorite Christmas sport very generally played on Christmas Eve, has been handed down to us from time immemorial, under the name of 'Snap Dragon.' To our English readers this amusement is perfectly familiar, but it is almost unknown in Scotland, and it seems therefore desirable to here give a description of the pastime. A quantity of raisins are deposited in a large dish or a bowl (the broader and shallower it is, the better) and brandy or some other spirit is poured over the fruit and ignited. The bystanders now endeavor by turns to grasp a raisin, by plunging their hands through the flames; and as this is somewhat of an arduous feat, requiring both courage and rapidity of action, a considerable amount of laughter and merriment is evoked at the expense of the unsuccessful competitors. As an appropriate accompaniment we introduce here

THE SONG OF SNAP DRAGON.

Here he comes with flaming bowl,
Don't he mean to take his toll?
Snip! Snap! Dragon!
Take care you don't take too much,
Be not greedy in your clutch.
Snip! Snap! Dragon!
With his blue and lapping tongue,
Many of you will be stung.
Snip! Snap! Dragon!
For he snaps at all that comes,
Snatching at his feast of plums,
Snip! Snap! Dragon!
But Old Christmas makes him come,
Though he looks so fee! fa! fum!
Snip! Snap! Dragon!
Don't 'ee fear him, be but bold—
Out he goes, his flames are cold,
Snip! Snap! Dragon?

Whilst the sport of snapdragon is going on, it is usual to extinguish all the lights in the room so that the lurid glare from the flaming spirits may exercise to the full its wierd-like effect. There seems little doubt that in this amusement we retain a trace of the fiery ordeal of the middle ages, and also of the Druidical fire-worship of a still remoter epoch. A curious reference to it occurs in the quaint old play of *Lingua*, quoted by Mr. Sandys in his work on Christmas:

"*Memory.* Oh, I remember this dish well; it was first invented by Pluto to entertain Proserpine withal.

Phantastes. I think not so, Memory; for when Hercules had killed the flaming dragon of Hesperid, with the apple of that orchard he made this fiery meat; in memory whereof he named it snapdragon."

Snapdragon, to personify him, has a poor relative or country cousin who bears the name of *Flapdragon*. This is a favorite amusement among the common people in the western counties of England, and consists in placing a lighted candle in a can of ale or cider, and drinking up the contents of the vessel. This act entails, of course, considerable risk of having the face singed, and herein lies the essence of the sport, which may be averred to be a somewhat more arduous proceeding in these days of moustaches and long whiskers than it was in the time of our close shaved grandfathers.

It appears that Gustave Dore and Christina Nilsson were not betrothed after all. Dore proposed to the Swedish cantatrice and was rejected. He urged his suit, however, so persistently, that M'lle Nilsson told him she would think of the proposition for six months and then give him a definite answer. When the time expired, she informed him that she could not marry him. Dore, however, is said not to be at all discouraged, but feels convinced that she will relent in course of time.

CHRISTMAS EPHEMERIS.

—Mince pies were popular as early as 1596.

—Sir Isaac Newton was born on Christmas day, 1642.

—What hosts of people will try new skates to-day! We hope they will all find them good and enjoy them.

—Two German theatrical representations will be given at Arbeiters Hall in Allegheny, this afternoon and evening.

—The boar's head and the peacock were once to Christmas dinner what the spiced round of beef and the turkey now are.

—It is believed that the earliest mention of plum pudding is in a cookery book called "The Whole Body of Cookery Dissected," published in 1675.

—In Germany the Christmas tree is universal. Pennsylvania was the first State to adopt it generally in this country, while in England it is still a rarity.

—The Christmas of 1860 is believed to have been the coldest ever felt in Great Britain. In some places the mercury was 8° below zero, Fahrenheit.

—The German singing society, *Harmonie*, gives a grand ball in Layfayette Hall this evening. The managers say it is to be the most brilliant of the season.

—The ceremony of the burning of the Yule log on Christmas Eve is derived from the Scandinavians, who at their festival at the Winter Solstice, burned huge bon-fires in honor of their god Thor.

—Kriss Kringle has come by this time, and has not missed many homes in this city. Some persons who are very stupid, say, we ought to say Krist Kinkle, and some who are very wise, say, we should say Christkindle, but we are used to plain, merry old Kriss Kringle, and shan't give him up.

—Besides being Christmas day, three saints, in some calenders, claim the 25th of December. St. Eugenia, a virgin martyr of A. D. 257. St. Anastasia, a martyr of A. D. 304, and another St. Anastasia of whom nothing seems to be remembered.

—Christmas trees are not nearly so expensive in Germany as in America. In the former country, colored papers and gilt or silvered apples and nuts are considered quite sufficient decoration for one; always excepting the angel or *Christkind* at the top.

—We have the authority of a tract published early in the 18th century and entitled "Round About Our Coal Fire, or Christmas Entertainments," for stating that in those days the most popular amusements of the merry season were dancing, blindman's buff, puss in the corner, questions and commands, cards and dice.

—The custom of decorating churches and dwellings with evergreens is derived from the ancient Romans, who during the Saturnalia ornamented in that way their temples and homes, but the Jews thus decorated their temple in the Feast of the Tabernacles, and the Druids used evergreens, mistletoe and holly for the same purpose.

—Frumante, frumenty or furmety was in olden time an indispensable Christmas dish. The most ancient recipie known for it reads thus: "Take clean wheat and bray it in a mortar, that the hulls be all gone off, and seethe it till it burst, and take it up and let it cool; and take clean fresh broth, and sweet milk of almonds, or sweet milk of kine, and temper it all; and take the yolks of eggs. Boil it a little and set it down and mess it forth with fat venison or fresh mutton."

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ASSESSMENTS.

OFFICE OF CITY ENGINEER, ALLEGHENY CITY, December 22d, 1868.

NOTICE.—THE ASSESSMENTS for grading and paving NORTH CANAL STREET from East Lane to Chestnut street; for grading and paving MAIN STREET from old city line to Pine street; for grading and paving KILBUCK STREET from Craig to Corry street; and for grading and paving OHIO AVENUE from Grant Avenue to Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago Railway are now ready for examination, and can be seen at this office till WEDNESDAY, December 30th, 1868, when they will be returned to the City Commissioner's office for collection.

CHARLES DAVIS,
de23:b87 City Engineer.

OFFICE OF CITY ENGINEER, ALLEGHENY CITY, Dec. 19th, 1868.

NOTICE.—Assessments for the GRADING and PAVING of

FAYETTE STREET,

from Bidwell to Fulton streets.

Also, for GRADING and PAVING of

PARK STREET,

from Grant avenue to Sturgeon street;

And for the GRADING and PAVING of

SHIELDS STREET,

from Allegheny avenue to Walker street;

Are now ready for examination, and can be seen at this office till MONDAY, December 28th, 1868, when they will be returned to the Street Commissioner for collection.

de21:b80 CHAS. DAVIS, City Engineer.

OFFICE OF CITY ENGINEER, Allegheny City, Dec. 17, 1868.

NOTICE.—The Assessments for Grading and Paving

RIVER AVENUE,

late Bank lane, from Union alley to McFadden street; also for Grading and Paving of

McFADDEN STREET,

from River avenue to West Pennsylvania Railroad, both in the Eighth Ward, are now ready for examination, and can be seen at this office till

Friday, December 25th, 1868,

when they will be returned to the Street Commissioner for collection.

de17:b62 CHAS. DAVIS, City Engineer.

NOTICE—Those interested will please take notice that the report of the viewers in the matter of opening LARIMER AVENUE, in the city of Pittsburgh, as modified by the court has been placed in my hands. The assessments, if not paid on or before JANUARY 6th, A. D. 1869 will be filed as liens in accordance with the law in such case made and provided.

J. F. SLAGLE, City Attorney.
Pittsburgh, December 5th, 1868. de7

OFFICE OF CITY ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR, Pittsburgh, Dec. 19, 1868.

NOTICE.—The assessment for Grading and Paving

SPRING ALLEY,

from Twenty Eighth street is now ready for examination and can be seen at this office until WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1868 when it will be returned to the City Treasurer's office for collection.

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FAIR—THE

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CITY AND SUBURBAN.

No Paper.—There will be no paper issued from this office until next Monday morning. A merry Christmas to all.

We refer the reader to our inside pages for very entertaining and spicy original and selected Christmas reading.

City Councils.—A regular meeting of the City Councils will be held Monday afternoon at two o'clock.

The Postoffice will be open this morning between the hours of eight and nine o'clock, and will be closed the remainder of the day.

Two drunks attended Mayor Drum's morning levee yesterday. One of them is now in jail, and the other was released upon payment of the fine.

Arrested.—Charles Morgan, charged with larceny before Justice Ammon, on oath of John McShane of Birmingham, was arrested yesterday and held for a hearing.

Surety.—John Latter made information yesterday before Mayor Drum against George Bloom for surety of the peace. Bloom was arrested and held for trial.

Abandonment.—Alderman Morrow yesterday committed James Melarkey to jail for a hearing on a charge of abandonment and desertion, preferred against him by his wife Winifred.

A Scan. Mag. case of large proportions, in which a prominent medical gentleman is said to be concerned, is about to be made public and shock the good people of Allegheny, where all the parties reside.

Personal.—M. W. Hanley, Esq., the gentlemanly agent of Md'le Ravel, who is to appear at the Opera House next week, favored us with a call last evening. The many admirers of the lady he represents will be delighted to hear of her coming.

Presentation.—The students of Duff's College last evening presented to **A. P.** Walker, Esq., a member of the faculty, a magnificent gold headed cane as an evidence of their high regard and appreciation him as a faithful teacher and clever gentleman.

Sneak Thief.—Some contemptible thief walked into Valentine Dilgy's dwelling, No. 457 Liberty street, yesterday evening, and took from the hall an overcoat valued at fifty dollars, and quietly walked out again without attracting the attention of any one.

Threatened Him.—George Keneg, forgetting in these Christmas times that "good will to man" should prevail, threatened to stab and kill John Burke, one of his neighbors in Ross township. John fears him, and accordingly authorized Alderman Mullen to issue a warrant for his arrest, which was done.

Assault and Battery.—John Moyer made information before Justice Ammon yesterday, charging John Blezel with assault and battery. The defendant and a son of the prosecutor, it appears, worked together in a glass house, and it is alleged that the former knocked the latter down. Blezel was arrested and held for a hearing.

Lecture in Steubenville.—Mr. William C. Smythe, the pleasing and humorous lecturer, is announced to deliver his brilliant lecture at Kelgore Hall, Steubenville, tomorrow night. Mr. Smythe is a journalist of decided ability, and as a lecturer is fully up to the standard of requirement. He should have a splendid audience.

Desertion.—Mrs. Agnes Watt alleges that her husband, James Watt, five years ago abandoned her, since which he has been living with his son at Woods Run and refuses to do anything toward her maintenance. The prosecutrix resides in South Pittsburgh. A warrant was issued for the arrest of the accused by Alderman McMasters.

Keystone Skating Rink.—This afternoon this resort will be thrown open to the public, and as great care has been taken by the managers to insure a good field of ice, we feel certain in saying that those who attend this afternoon and evening will be amply repaid. There is no more pleasant place of spending an hour, if for no other purpose than to look on. The Great Western Band will be in attendance to enliven the exercises.

The Allegheny Fire Company last night held their annual ball at Lafayette Hall, at which about two hundred couple were in attendance. The affair was very pleasant and reflected much credit to the managers. The elegant supper was spread in Lafayette Hall by the master caterers, Messrs. Hays & Peet, proprietors of the Dining Rooms, No. 78 Fourth avenue. The tables were artistically arranged and filled with all the dainties of the season.

An Apple Difficulty.—Robert Wormsley was brought before Alderman Mullen, yesterday, to answer a charge of false pretense preferred against him by John Shuff, proprietor of a grocery store on Ohio street, Allegheny. The alleged offense consisted in obtaining two dollars and a half for a barrel of apples which he failed to deliver, and afterwards refused to refund the money. The case was finally compromised, the defendant paying the costs and delivering up the greenbacks.

Smithfield Street M. E. Sunday School.—This Sunday School held its annual treat last evening, which we attended and found the school room magnificently decorated, surpassing anything in its line that we ever saw. The Sunday School, under the superintendency of W. B. Brickel, Esq., is in a flourishing condition, numbering some three hundred scholars and teachers, and is out of debt. Many thanks are due Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Stewart, Mr. Geo. Culp, and in fact all the teachers for their labors in decorating the school.

Western University Alumni.—We are pleased to announce that on next Tuesday evening the annual address before the Alumni Association of the Western University of Pennsylvania, will be delivered in the University Hall, corner of Ross and Diamond streets, by William D. Moore, Esq., of the Pittsburgh Bar, who is a member of the graduating class of 1841. He has selected "Modern Culture" for the subject of his address. The gentleman's ability is a guarantee that it will be ably treated, and those who may attend will be most satisfactorily entertained and instructed.

In Memoriam.—The Rev. George Brown, D. D., the first pastor of the Methodist (Protestant) Church, Fifth Avenue, now almost forty years ago, will, by special request, repeat the funeral sermon of Mrs. Hannah Reeves, on Sabbath morning, December 27, in the above church. This discourse was preached at New Brighton last Sabbath, (Mrs. Reeve's late residence,) to a very large assembly; but as she had many friends in Pittsburgh, Doctor Brown has consented to repeat the sermon, in memory of this remarkable woman. Mrs. Reeves was herself a preacher of the gospel.

Cigars and Tobacco.—For some time past it has been a difficult matter to procure a good cigar at any price, not only in this city but throughout the country, as "lovers of the weed" are fully aware, being compelled to use an inferior article at an extravagantly high price. We are pleased to announce, however, that those times have passed, in this city at least, and if the public are desirous of satisfying themselves of the fact they have only to call at John Megraw's, 45 Hand street, who has a large and well selected stock of tobacco and cigars, and in fact everything connected with a first-class tobacco establishment.

ALLEGHENY COUNCILS.

A regular monthly meeting of Allegheny Councils was held last evening.

Select Council.

Members present: Messrs. Brown, Gang, Hall, Hartman, Jahn, Krebs, Motheral, Myler, Patterson J. C., Patterson A., Phillips, Riddle, Smith A. D., Smith Wm., and President.

Mr. Riddle presented a petition from the Fort Wayne Railway Company, asking for the vacation of a portion of Grant avenue. Referred to Street Committee.

Mr. Myler presented the report of the Street Committee, accompanied by sundry resolutions, and the report of the viewers on the opening of Sedgwick street. The report of the Committee was accepted, the resolutions adopted and the report of the viewers set aside.

Mr. Phillips presented a petition from citizens on Lincoln avenue, asking that a sewer pipe be placed on said avenue. Referred to Street Committee.

Also, a petition for a gas lamp on Lincoln avenue. Referred to Gas Committee.

Mr. Myler presented a resolution to open Sedgwick street. Read three times and passed.

Mr. Myler presented a resolution providing that the City Treasurer should hereafter collect the assessments for grading and paving of streets, and that the office of Assistant Street Commissioner be dispensed with.

Mr. Motheral moved to amend the resolution so as to provide for two Street Commissioners and two districts. While the question was pending it was ascertained that there was not a quorum of members present, and Council adjourned.

Common Council.

Council came to order at half-past seven o'clock, President Slagle in the chair.

The Clerk, Robert Dilworth, Esq., called the roll, when the following members answered to their names: Messrs. Blair, Comley, Haines, Hastings, Hochuly, Kennedy, Megraw, McDonald, McNeil, Ober, Reed, Semple, Slack, Tate, White, Warner, and President Slagle.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

OHIO RIVER IMPROVEMENT.

Mr. McNeil presented a petition from the Finance Committee, appointed at a public meeting held in the Rooms of the Pittsburgh Board of Trade, asking for an appropriation of one thousand dollars for the purpose of paying a part of the assessment of $2,500 which has been assessed upon Pittsburgh and Allegheny by the Committee having in charge the preliminary arrangements and legislation toward the improvement of our river navigation. The petition stated that $1,500 had been appropriated by the Pittsburgh Councils at a recent meeting.

Mr. Hanna moved to refer the petition to the Finance Committee.

Mr. Warner moved to amend by referring it to a special committee.

Mr. McNeil thought all could see the importance of having the navigation of the river improved, and thought a resolution should be passed granting the prayer of the petitioners.

The vote was then taken on the amendment, which resulted in its being voted down.

After some further discussion, Mr. Hanna's motion was carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GAS.

Mr. McDonald, from the Committee on Gas, presented a report recommending the erection of a gas lamp on White Oak alley, midway between Hemlock street and the hill.

In reference to the letter of R. H. Smith, relative to the infringement of a patent right held by him on a design for lamp posts, the Commitlee offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That we continue to the fabrication of gas lamps, as already adopted, for the use of the city.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WHARVES AND LANDINGS.

Mr. White, from the Committee on Wharves and Landings, presented the report of that Committee in relation to the division of the wharf into two districts, accompanied with an ordinance dividing the wharf into the Eastern and Western Divisions, with Anderson street as the dividing line, and requiring each wharfmaster to give bonds in the sum of $500.

The report was accepted and the ordinance adopted, with an amendment offered by Mr. McNeill, fixing the amount of bail at two thousand dollars.

PETITION FOR SEWER.

Mr. Tate presented a petition from residents of North avenue, asking for the construction of a sewer on that thoroughfare from Palo Alto street to Pasture Lane. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Mr. Tate moved to adjourn, there being no quorum present. The motion was voted down and the Messenger instructed to hunt up one member, who had just left.

The Messenger returned after a short interval, stating that the member could not be found.

The Council then adjourned under the rule.

Alleged Attempted Robbery.

A young man named John Kennedy was arrested last evening at the Federal Street Station of the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railway, for attempting, as it is alleged, to steal money from the desk of the ticket agent. Kennedy is well known to the officers of the depot, and has been allowed to come backward and forward into the ticket office. Last evening, it is said, he was in Mr. Pitcairn's office, and while the attention of that gentleman was attracted in an opposite direction selling tickets to passengers, Kennedy was noticed by another occupant of the office placing a photograph frame, (which was filled in with his picture,) over some of the money in the desk and drawing it toward him. The watchman at the depot was quietly notified of the circumstance, and promptly arrested the alleged thief. When searched, a number of bills were found in his pockets, although he had previously admitted having stolen only one dollar. He was taken to the Mayor's office and locked up until this morning, when he will have a hearing.

Starting Testimony.

Messrs. J. P. Urbon & Bros.: GENTLEMEN: Having for some time past been troubled with hoarseness, the result of a bronchial affection of long standing, to which the ordinary and usually prescribed remedies failed to afford relief, I take pleasure in informing you that at the suggestion of a friend I was induced to try the efficacy of your "Star Troches," and being *entirely* free from the unpleasant sensations peculiar to the malady with which I have been afflicted, I cannot but attribute the relief to the use of your invaluable remedy, and to such of the public as are suffering as I have suffered, I most cheerfully recommend it. ADOLPH ANCKER,

1,320 South Broad St., Philadelphia.

Sold by all druggists at fifteen cents per box.

Drowned—Coroner's Inquest.

The body of Dennis O'Brien, an account of whose disappearance we noticed in yesterday's GAZETTE, was found yesterday morning a short distance from the barge upon which his clothing was found. The river was dragged during the forenoon and a son of the drowned man was the first to discover the body. Coroner Clawson held an inquest on the remains. The following verdict was rendered: "That the said Dennis O'Brien came to his death on Tuesday evening, December 22d, 1868, by accidentally falling from the keel boat 'Ida Wild,' lying in the Monongahela river, at Monongahela borough."

Christmas Festival.

The Sabbath School connected with the Trinity Episcopal church, held its regular Christmas festival yesterday afternoon. The interior of the church had been beautifully decorated with evergreens and flowers for the occasion, and presented a very neat and attractive appearance. The children were first assembled in the main auditorium, where they sang several inspiriting Christmas Carols, and were led in prayer, the Rector, Rev. John Scarborough, concluding the exercises by delivering an appropriate address. An adjournment then took place to the Sunday School room, where a magnificent specimen of a Christmas tree, brilliantly trimmed and lighted, had been set up. After a short season spent in musical exercises, each of the Misses was presented with a pretty little toy muff, filled with candies, and a neat doll. The lads each received a small paper sack, furnished in a similar manner to the muffs, and an interesting book. The whole programme was wound up by a feast of ice cream and cakes. The entertainment seemed to be highly enjoyed by all in attendance, old and young entering into the merry spirit of the occasion with a hearty enthusiasm and feeling of enjoyment.

The festival of the Mission School connected with this Church will take place tomorrow afternoon, and will doubtless be as interesting and pleasant as that participated in by the regular school.

Reckless Driving.

The practice of driving and riding at a reckless rate of speed along public thoroughfares is one which should be visited by the severest penalties of the law. The cases are neither few nor far between in which persons have been very seriously injured and sometimes maimed for life by being knocked down and run over, the direct result of this practice. We have to record a case in point on last Tuesday afternoon. A little son of Mr. Henry Fox, a resident of the Fourth ward, Allegheny, while crossing Ohio street, near East Lane, was knocked down by Henry Satler, who was riding along on horseback at a furious rate of speed. The little fellow was picked up and taken home where his injuries were found to be of a severe nature, though not immediately dangerous. Later in the day Mr. Fox made information before Alderman Mullen against Satler for immoderate driving, upon which he was arrested and held for a hearing.

Christmas Jubilee.

The Christmas celebration of the Sunday school of the First English Evangelical Lutheran Church took place last evening, at the church on Seventh avenue. The exercises were opened by singing a Christmas hymn, entitled "Ring Out The Bells," which was beautifully rendered, after which the children were each presented with a box of mixed candies, upon the cover of which were beautiful chromo lithograph pictures of various brilliant subjects. Rev. Mr. Laird, the pastor of the congregation, then delivered a brief but eloquent and appropriate address to the scholars.

The school is one of the most flourishing in the city, and its prosperous condition is in a great measure the result of the energy and faithfulness of Mr. Thomas H. Lane, the superintendent.

The occasion was one of the most pleasant and interesting which has taken place in this city for a long time.

A Sad Case of Destitution.

A poor man, a coal digger by occupation, and his widowed mother, residing on Squirrel Hill, were discovered yesterday by a charitable family in a suffering condition from want. The woman is over sixty-five years of age and almost blind, the result of starvation. The man had his leg broken some time ago while working in the pit, and since that time has been confined to his bed. A charitable gentleman at Laughlin's station, with his family, sent immediate relief to the sufferers, which no doubt saved them from starving to death. The gentleman above alluded to collected a handsome sum of money among his friends, which will be wisely applied to relieve their future wants. Such acts of charity are worthy of notice and will be rewarded.

Beer Saloon Row.

Yesterday afternoon George Bluma and Jacob Fulton entered the beer saloon kept by Mrs. Mary E. Roehlers, on Ohio street, Allegheny, and, according to the statement of the proprietress, created a row immediately. In the melee Bluma was struck over the head with a pair of boots by Mrs. Roehlers, and herself received severe treatment at the hands of Fulton and Bluma, her hoad and various parts of her body bearing evidence of the disturbance. Mrs. Roehlers made information before Alderman Mullen against the assailants for breach of the peace, upon which Fulton was fined two dollars and costs, and Bluma held for a further hearing. Bluma then made information against Mrs. Roehlers for assault and battery, upon which she was also held for a hearing.

Erratum.

In our notice of Dr. George H. Keyser's intended removal to a new store, we announced that he would vacate the old one about April 1st. This was incorrect. He will remove on the first of January, if his elegant new quarters will be ready for occupation by that time. The Doctor in a private note correcting our mistake, announces that he intends to keep none but the purest of drugs, as he has done for the past few years. He attributes his success in curing patients largely to the use of pure and unadulterated drugs, and regards pure medicine a thing of great value in the cure of disease, and impure medicines may be traced in most cases of failure. We justly feel warranted in the belief that the community are ready and willing to sustain a gentleman who will devote himself to an object so meritorious, and having so great a bearing on the public health.

Lost and Found.

Frederika Musch entered a meat shop on Ohio street, Allegheny, yesterday, and inadvertently laid her pocket-book down on the counter while she made a purchase. When she had use for it again, it could not be found. It contained $21, which she felt unwilling to lose quietly. A little girl named Mary Manning had been in the shop a few minutes before, and suspicion fell upon her, which caused Mrs. Musch to make information against her for larceny before Alderman Mullen. Mary was arrested, but while the hearing was in progress a little boy came into the Alderman's office and stated that he had found the missing article on the floor of the meat shop at the end of the counter. Mary was immediately acquitted and released.

Queensware.

The manufacture of queensware has reached that degree of excellence that it is probably as near perfection as any other art, and it affords us pleasure to state that we have in our city an establisment where this article is made in the highest style of the art. We refer to the Keystone Pottery of S. M. Kier & Co., No. 363 Liberty street, where purchasers will find one of the largest assortments of queensware of every description in the city. The proprietors announce that they are prepared to mark ware in gilt initials or monograms, which is now being fashionable.

Our Greeting.

A merry Christmas to you all, gentle readers. In thus conveying our kindly regards, however, we would take a more practical view of the case and, as we know you are all anxious to realize our wish, advise a visit during the day or evening to the Fair and Festival now being held under the auspices of the ladies connected with the North avenue M. E. Church, Allegheny, in the lecture room of that edifice. The interior beautifully decked in its holiday attire of flowers and evergreens, the handsome, useful and ornamental articles scattered in endless profusion over the different booths, the Christmas dinner or supper, under the charge of those who thoroughly understand this part of the entertainment, and the other innumerable attractions, which will become apparent to every visitor, forms a combination, the influence of which cannot fail to make the day pass not only merrily, but happily and profitably. And then, besides, by giving fifteen cents for admission, or fifty cents for admission and dinner or supper, or purchasing any of the articles on sale, there comes the pleasant satisfaction of aiding in a good cause, and helping on a praiseworthy enterprise. Try it, gentle reader; make the experiment and note the result.

The St. James Hotel.

The St. James Hotel, on Liberty street, opposite the Union Depot, has long been so conducted by the popular proprietor, Mr. James Lanahan, as to merit the largest patronage from the resident and traveling community. It is large and commodious, capable of accommodating a vast number of guests and furnished throughout in most elegant style. Its public and private dining rooms are models of good taste and perfection, large, well ventilated, neat and clean. The hotel is conducted on the European plan, and is patronized by a most respectable class of people, who find in it that there is even in hotel life such a place as home. The restaurant of the St. James is always open, and at all hours the hungry can obtain meals superior to those furnished by most of the first class hotels. The bar is one of the best arranged and best kept in the city, and is constantly supplied with the purest wines and liquors, ales and temperance beverages. To-day unusually grand meals will be served up, at which the public desirous of having a merry happy Christmas are invited to attend. Upon the whole, the St. James Hotel is one in which the city should center a large share of pride, and we trust the active and enterprising proprietor, who, in the full meaning of the words, "knows how to keep a hotel," may ever continue to enjoy his great popularity as a clever and careful host.

The Free Distribution.

The free distribution of provisions to the poor of the vicinity, under the auspices of the Philomathic Circle, came off at their hall, corner of Lacock and Sandusky streets, last evening, and the good effects of the benevolent undertaking were made apparent at the appointed time by the large attendance of persons, of all ages and sexes. Over one hundred families were supplied with bread, beef, poultry, etc., etc., all of whom seemed to express in their countenances more gratitude than any language which they could command. After fully supplying the wants of all applicants, the Committee found that they still had a large supply of provisions on hand. After consultation they concluded to continue the good work, and accordingly another distribution will commence this morning at the same place at seven o'clock, and continue until the supply is exhausted. The food is given away without regard to creed or color, and all persons in need can have their wants supplied so far as the gentlemen engaged in the philanthropic work can do so by making application at the time designated.

Hartz in Pittsburgh.

The following, clipped from a New York paper, will show what the people of that city think of Hartz, the magician, who is about to pay us a visit:

"We regard Hartz as a wonderful man, literally and entirely. He is not only a magician and a skillful slight of hand man, but he is a shrewd student of human nature. He is alert, bland, humorous, and just enough satirical is his manner to pique the *amcur propre* of his victim, and gratify the senses of the ludicrous, which always lends a laugh most readily to a fellow-creature's harmless misfortunes. The facility with which he makes objects disappear, or become changed to something of a widely different nature, at pleasure, and the bewildering ease with which he apparently produces quarters (real silver) from the atmosphere, are truly astonishing. The new feats which Hartz performed last evening, were more like the miracles of olden times than the performance of mortal hands and a merely human mind."

M. Hartz performs at the Academy of Music on the evenings of Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, December 28th, 29th and 30th.

A Manager Caned.

Manager Canning, of the Opera House, was last evening surprised in his office by the members of his excellent orchestra, who proceeded, with no ostentatious display, to present him with a very valuable and rich gold headed cane. Mr. Canning responded in a few happy words, and the orchestra retired to their places before the audience and played still sweeter music, inspired in the knowledge that they had paid a flattering compliment to a gentleman eminently worthy their kind consideration. It is very rare for an orchestra to think so highly of the manager, as to seek occasion to thus honor him, and hence, Mr. Canning has just reason to feel proud of the compliment. May he live long to enjoy the munificent gift, and never grow out of the grateful remembrance of his orchestra, and hosts of other friends.

When to Purchase--Grand Closing Out Sale.—A pretty dress pattern or any other selection which might be made at the well stocked and popular dry goods house of J. M. Burchfield, No. 52 St. Clair street, would most certainly prove acceptable as a holiday present. The large and judiciously selected stock held by this house has been specially reduced to closing out prices, and nowhere else can greater bargains in good goods be obtained. The high reputation long maintained for the establishment by its proprietor is ample security to patrons that they will be fairly and honorably dealt with. See advertisement in another column.

A Suitable Present.—Straw & Morton, agents of the popular Singer Sewing Machine Company for this city, request persons desirous of selecting suitable Christmas or New Year presents to call in and examine the fine assortment of machines they have on exhibition in their salesrooms, corner of Penn and St. Clair streets. They do not put forward flaming superiorities over all others in use, but simply ask close examination, inquiry and comparison, knowing that the Singer can safely rest on its own merits. Do not fail to call in and examine the stock.

Holtzheimer's Christmas Dinner to-day will be the biggest thing on the boards. Everybody who wants an old fashioned, square, jolly good dinner should call at the Continental Dining Rooms, Fifth avenue, next door to the Postoffice. Tip top Christmas meals will be furnished at all hours, from morning till night.

Furs—Great Reduction in Prices at Gardner's Clearance Sale.

Sets of Furs for	$7.50.	Reduced from	$10.00
"	" 8.50.	"	" 11.00
"	" 10.00.	"	" 14.00
"	" 12.00.	"	" 17.00
"	" 15.00.	"	" 20.00
"	" 20.00.	"	" 30.00
"	" 25.00.	"	" 35.00
"	" 30.00.	"	" 45.00
"	" 40.00.	"	" 55.00

Also, great reduction in Fine Furs.

Good Muffs for	$3.50.	Reduced from	$6.00
"	" 4.50.	"	" 7.50
"	" 6.00.	"	" 9.00
"	" 7.00.	"	" 10.00
"	" 8.00.	"	" 12.00

Capes, Collars, Eugenies, Circulars in Squirrel, Sable, Mink, Fitch, all greatly reduced, at Gardner's, on west corner Market street and Fourth avenue, No. 69.

The "Diamond Front,"

In Allegheny, is winning golden opinions from all good housekeepers for the variety, quality and cheapness of the articles which are there kept for sale. The enterprising proprietor, Mr. Henderson George, seems to understand exactly what is needed in a first class family grocery, and manages his business according to that knowledge, which is the result of his success and the cause of the popularity of his establishment. For the holidays he has laid in a new supply of groceries and everything else in his line, and offers them at prices of which former sales are a criterion. The store is located at No. 164 Federal street, Allegheny, a few doors above the Diamond. Purchasers of groceries should not forget the place.

Cloaking Cloths.—We will open this week a good assortment at low prices—Bates & Bell.

Perfumeries.—At the popular drug and perfumery house of Burns & Caughey, corner of St. Clair and Penn streets, will be found a very excellent stock of goods suitable for presents to-day. The assortment of fine and exquisite perfumeries of all the popular manufacturers, the rich toilette sets, handsome cologne sets, rare puff boxes, beautiful combs, fancy hair brushes, magnificent soaps and the thousand and one articles which enter into the stock, will meet the expectation of gift purchasers. Nowhere else will so elegant an assortment, at such reasonable prices, be found.

Standard makes of dry goods at low prices—Bates & Bell.

W. W. Moorhead, No. 81 Market street, knowing the demand which would spring up for articles in his line of business during the holidays, determined not to be behind his competitors and took measures to supply himself before the rush would commence. His establishment now, from cellar to garret, is filled with articles fancy, useful and ornamental in endless profusion, any of which would make a beautiful and appropriate Christmas or New Year's gift to a friend. Purchasers can have no difficulty in making a selection, unless, indeed, they become bewildered with the rich and magnificent display which will be afforded them by a visit to the place.

12½ cents for good bleached and unbleached muslins—Bates & Bell.

Holtzheimer's Christmas Dinner to-day will be the biggest thing on the boards. Everybody who wants an old fashioned, square, jolly good dinner should call at the Continental Dining Rooms, Fifth avenue, next door to the Postoffice. Tip top Christmas meals will be furnished at all hours, from morning till night.

Can it be possible that over Five Million Bottles of PLANTATION BITTERS have been sold during the past year? It is almost incredible, nevertheless it is absolutely true, and is the most convincing proof of their wonderful medical and health-restoring qualities. Every family should be supplied with these Bitters, at whatever cost or trouble it may be to obtain them. Be careful that you get the genuine, and that you are not imposed upon by a spurious article.

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American Silks—Bates & Bell have received an assortment.

The best and Original Tonic of Iron, Phosphorus and Calisaya, known as Caswell, Mack & Co's Ferro Phosphorated Elixir of Calisaya Bark. The Iron restores color to the blood, the Phosphorus renews waste of the nerve tissue, and the Calisaya gives a natural healthful tone to the digestive organs, thereby curing dyspepsia in its various forms, Wakefulness, General Debility and Depression of Spirits. Manufactured only by Caswell, Hazard & Co., New York. Sold by all druggists. s

French Corsets, at $1, examine our assortment—Bates & Bell.

"Let There Be Light."—In obedience to this great command, the sun, moon and stars were created, as was also all the artificial lights, the principal among which are gas and kerosene, and in order that the latter may be used to advantage as illuminators, Weldon & Kelly, plumbers and gas fitters, corner of Wood street and Virgin alley, offer for sale a large and very fine assortment of chandeliers for oil lamps and gas, and gas fixtures of every description.

Dress Goods, we have a fine assortment which we offer very cheap—Bates & Bell.

It is a luxury and a comfort to bathe, shave, or have your hair cut or dressed at the elegant establishment of H. B. Williamson, No. 190 Federal street, Allegheny. Try it. F

Shawls and Cloaks—A fine assortment. Bates & Bell.

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It is a matter of importance to the public to know that Colonel J. D. Egan, 41 Sixth avenue, near Smithfield street, has one of the largest and best selected stocks of Books to be found in the city, comprising all the latest publications of Text Books, Novels, Gift Books, etc. He has just received a large and well selected stock of Holiday Goods, comprising Books for Christmas presents, which will be sold at the most reasonable terms. A fine stock of Stationery, including every variety of Paper and Envelopes, will also be found in this well conducted establishment.

MARRIED:

MARSHALL—WEAVER—Tuesday evening, December 22d, 1868, by the Rev. J. Egar assisted by the Rev. Dr. Marshall, J. L. MARSHALL and ANNIE, daughter of Henry A. Weaver, Esq.

KISER—BLACK—On Tuesday, December 22d, 1868, by the Rev. W. A. Black, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. DAVID O. KISEB to Miss MAGGIE A., daughter of Mr. Alexander Black, all of Pittsburgh.

HENDRIE—BROWN—On Thursday, December 24th, by the Rev. John Cowl, at the residence of the bride's parents, J. N. Brown, Esq., of West Virginia, Mr. ARCHIBALD HENDRIE of this city, and Miss BARBARA BROWN of West Virginia. No cards.

DIED:

FICKES—On Thursday afternoon, at 3 o'clock, of Diphtheria, EDWIN FRANK, only son of D. G. and H. M. Fickes, aged 4 years and 5 months.

The funeral services will be held at the residence of his parents, No. 55 Federal street, Pittsburgh, on SATURDAY MORNING at 9½ A. M. Carriages will leave the house for the Connellsville Railroad Depot at 10 o'clock A. M. The remains to be deposited in the Versailles Township Cemetery, near McKeesport. The friends of the family are invited to attend.

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